

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research
State Clearinghouse
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113
Sacramento, CA 95814

From: Department of Fish and Wildlife
Wildlife Conservation Board
P.O. Box 944209
Sacramento, CA 99244-2090

County Clerk (County of): N/A

Attention: Kim Cruz

Project Title: Steelhead Preserve

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location – Specific: APN(s)

061-0-160-320, 061-0-160-335, 061-0-160-355

Project Location – City: N/A

Project Location – County: Ventura

CEQA Region: S. CA

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:

The allocation for a grant to the Ojai Valley Land Conservancy to acquire 21± acres of land for the protection of riparian habitat and critical wildlife passage in the Ventura River watershed by expanding the adjacent Ventura River Steelhead Preserve that conserves a holding pool for the federally endangered Southern California steelhead trout; to provide for wildlife habitat preservation, linkages, restoration and management, wildlife-oriented outreach and education, and for compatible public or private uses; located about seven miles north of the city of Ventura in unincorporated Ventura County. WCB Project Tracker ID: 2023024.

Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Fish and Wildlife, WCB

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project: Rebecca J. Fris, Acting Executive Director, WCB

Exempt Status: (Check One)

- Ministerial (Sec. 15268):
- Declared Emergency [Sec. 15269 (a)]:
- Emergency Project [Sec. 15269 (b) and (c)]:
- Categorical Exemption. State Section number and type: Sec.15313, Class 13 & Sec.15325, Class 25
- Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:
- Other:

Reasons why this project is exempt:

Project involves the transfer of an ownership interest in land for conservation purposes and to preserve open space and habitat, including plant or animal habitats.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Rebecca J. Fris

Area Code/Telephone Extension: (916) 212-5637

If filed by applicant: 1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a notice of exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes, (by this notice) No

Signature: 

Title: Acting Executive Director

Date: 8/25/2023

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Section 21108, 21152, 21152.1, Public Resources Code

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