

**Notice of Exemption**

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**From:**  
California Department of Fish and Wildlife  
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1400 Tenth Street  
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**Project Title:** Emergency Bank Stabilization and Stream Restoration Project at Wolff Vineyards

(Request No. 1652-2023-065-001-R4)

**Project Applicant:** Niki Eschler, Coastal San Luis Resource Conservation District

**Project Location:** The Project will occur along the bank of an unnamed tributary to Pismo Creek, at 6238 Orcutt Road, in the city of San Luis Obispo, San Luis Obispo County, Zip Code 93401; Centered at coordinate 35.21670, -120.59338; U.S. Geological Survey Map Arroyo Grande NE; Assessor's Parcel Number 044-051-016.

**Project Description:** Pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1652, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife has approved the Emergency Bank Stabilization and Stream Restoration Project at Wolff Vineyards submitted by the Coastal San Luis Resource Conservation District, as represented by Niki Eschler.

The Project includes activities pertaining to streambank stabilization and revegetation along 55 linear feet of stream. Existing riparian vegetation will be affected by clearing and grubbing activities. The bank of the stream will receive 140 cubic yards of backfill, 25 cubic yards of granite gabion rock, and 440 square feet of biodegradable erosion control materials. A 1.5:1 (horizontal:vertical) slope will be established. Revegetation will be performed with 440 square feet of an erosion control seed mix, 440 square feet of live willow stakes, and 440 square feet of native transplants. The work proposed will stabilize the eroded streambank and increase habitat complexity. Stabilizing the bank will reduce sedimentation into the receiving watershed, thus improving water quality to the benefit of aquatic species. Habitat complexity will provide resources and cover to foster species diversity and abundance.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** California Department of Fish and Wildlife

**Person or Public Agency Carrying Out Project:** Coastal San Luis Resource Conservation District

**Exempt Status:**

Categorical Exemption. Type – Class 33 California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 15333

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Class 33 consists of small projects not to exceed 5 acres in size to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of habitat for fish, plants, or wildlife.

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