

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: Western Riverside MSHCP Wolfskill

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location – Specific: APN(s)

422-160-008, 422-160-009, 422-160-010.

Project Location – City: N/A

Project Location – County: Riverside

CEQA Region: S. CA

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:

The approval to subgrant a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Section 6 Acquisition grant and the allocation of a Wildlife Conservation Board grant to the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority, for a cooperative project to acquire 640± acres of land for the protection of for the protection of habitat types including chaparral, coastal sage scrub, grassland, riparian scrub, woodland, and forest; a variety of state and federal Threatened and Endangered species; and a key linkage for covered species between large blocks of conserved lands within the Western Riverside Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan, located east of the city of Morena Valley in unincorporated Riverside County. WCB Project Tracker ID: 2023173.

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

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project: John P. Walsh, Deputy 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: Section 15313, Class 13 & Section 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: John P. Walsh

Area Code/Telephone Extension: (916) 539-8016

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: DocuSigned by:

John Walsh

Title: Deputy Executive Director

Date: 11/16/2023

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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