

**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:** James Croft

**Project Title:** Gray Lodge Auto Tour Phase II

**Project Applicant:** Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

**Project Location – Specific: APN(s)**

Gray Lodge Wildlife Area. Located approximately five miles west of Gridley California. Township 17N, Section 15, Range 1E.

**Project Location – City:** Gridley

**Project Location – County:** Butte

**CEQA Region:** N. CA

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:**

Wetland restoration and enhancement to benefit migratory birds on the Pacific Flyway. WCB Project Tracker ID: 2023069.

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

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project:** Rebecca J. Fris, 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 15302, Class 2; Section 15303, Class 3; Section 15304, Class 4
- Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:
- Other:

**Reasons why this project is exempt:**

Project will consist of minor alterations to land, and there will be no negative impacts to the physical environment that would reduce its ability to produce native or agricultural plants.

**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:** Deputy Executive Director

**Date:** 11/21/2023

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

**SCH #:**

**Posted Date:**

**Date Received for Filing at OPR:**

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