

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: Kurt Malchow

Project Title: Building Wildlife-Friendly Resilience in Working Landscapes - Roots 51

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location – Specific: APN(s)

APN 119-071-005-000. Two hedgerows of approximately 400 total linear feet adjacent to Elkhorn Road in northern Monterey County, California. Township 12S, Range 02E, Section 28 of the "Moss Landing" 7.5 quadrangle.

Project Location – City: Royal Oaks

Project Location – County: Monterey

CEQA Region: Unincorporated

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:

The Project involves installing two pollinator hedgerows, covering 1.06 acres, within a 10-acre farming property located adjacent to Elkhorn Slough. The Project will promote wildlife friendly farming and serve as a screen and buffer between Elkhorn Road and two acres of crops. Additional benefits include enhanced biodiversity, increased habitat for beneficial insects to support integrated pest management, and increased breeding and foraging habitat for birds and pollinators. WCB Project Tracker ID: 2022065.

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: Class 33 (CCR Section 15333) Small Habitat Restoration Project
- Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:
- Other:

Reasons why this project is exempt:

WCB has determined that the objectives to restore and enhance restoration of wildlife and pollinator habitat, and the implementation activities as designed for this project will result in the restoration, enhancement, maintenance, or protection of habitat for fish, plants or wildlife to not exceed five acres in size.

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: 1/23/2024

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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