

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: Wildlife Habitat and Community Resilience on Working lands - Roots 64

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location – Specific: APN(s)

APN: 451240014

The 0.3-acre project site is located within a 1 acre urban farm in the city of Hemet in Riverside County. The farm is surrounded by suburban landscape.

Project Location – City: Hemet

Project Location – County: Riverside

CEQA Region: Unincorporated

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:

This project will provide habitat for pollinators and wildlife by replacing invasive plants with native flora. This project will also create artificial wildlife roosting and nesting habitat. Additional benefits of the native planting are improved soil health and crop pollination services.

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 exemption (CCR Section 15333) small habitat restoration project
- Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:
- Other:

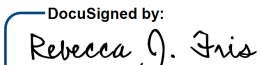
Reasons why this project is exempt:

WCB has determined that the objectives of enhancement and restoration of wildlife and pollinator habitat, and the implementation activities as designed for this project, will result in the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of habitat for fish, plants or wildlife not to 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:** 4/18/2024

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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