

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: Alexa Dunn

Project Title: Simi Divide - Box Canyon Connector

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location – Specific: APN(s)

649-0-010-415

Project Location – City: Simi Valley

Project Location – County: Ventura

CEQA Region: S. CA

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:

To consider the allocation for a grant to Mountains Recreation Conservation Authority for a cooperative project with the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy to acquire 166± acres of land for the protection of chaparral habitat that supports a wildlife movement corridor for special status species including mountain lion and Santa Susana tarplant, and provide future wildlife oriented public use opportunities, located near Simi Valley in Ventura County. WCB Project Tracker ID: 2022081.

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 and Section 15325, Class 25
- Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:
- Other:

Reasons why this project is exempt:

Project involves the acquisition of land for wildlife conservation purposes and the transfer of an ownership interest in land 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: 5/29/2024

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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