

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: Kendall Webster

Project Title: Miner's Creek

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location – Specific: APN(s)

023-171-030-000; 023-171-070-000; 023-171-080-000; 023-171-090-000; 023-171-180-000; 023-171-200-000; 023-171-340-000; 023-171-380-000; 023-171-500-000; 023-171-510-000

Project Location – City: Etna

Project Location – County: Siskiyou

CEQA Region: North

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:

To consider the allocation for a grant to The Nature Conservancy to acquire 389± acres of land for the protection of coho and Chinook salmon, deer, elk, wolf, beaver, mink, muskrat, otter, bear, elk pine marten, and pacific fisher, restoration of approximately 1 mile of French Creek for coho salmon habitat, permanent instream flow dedication of 1.66 cubic feet per second in French Creek to enhance summer rearing and spawning habitat for coho salmon using California Water Code (CWC) § 1707 or an equivalent process, and wildlife-oriented education and research.

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: Sec.15313, Class 13 & Sec.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 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:

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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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Posted Date:

Date Received for Filing at OPR:

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WCB Board Meeting Folder