

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: David Dodds

Project Title: Beach Ranch

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location – Specific: APN(s)

52-171-13, 052-171-12, 052-171-11, 052-231-03, 052-231-29, and 052-231-30

Project Location – City: Watsonville

Project Location – County: Santa Cruz

CEQA Region: N. CA

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:

Project involves the acquisition of a conservation easement over 247± acres of land for the protection of significant natural, ecological, habitat, scenic, open space and agricultural resources.
WCB Project ID: 2023209

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:
 Statutory Exemptions, State code Number: Section 15313, Class 13 and Section 15325, Class 25
 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

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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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