# CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

The Santa Cruz County Planning Division has reviewed the project described below and has determined that it is exempt from the provisions of CEQA as specified in Sections 15061 - 15332 of CEQA for the reason(s) which have been specified in this document.

Application Number: 231240
Assessor Parcel Number:  052-291-24
Project Location: 71 Puffin Lane Watsonville CA 95076

**Project Description: Proposal to construct minor additions and remodel an existing single family dwelling, add a pedestrian walkway and recognize the construction of retaining walls, together with habitat restoration of 2,953 square feet.**

**Person or Agency Proposing Project: William Kempf**

**Contact Phone Number:  831-459-0951**

**A.** _____ The proposed activity is not a project under CEQA Guidelines Section 15378.

**B.** _____ The proposed activity is not subject to CEQA as specified under CEQA Guidelines Section 15060 (c).

**C.** _____ **Ministerial Project** involving only the use of fixed standards or objective measurements without personal judgment.

**D.** _____ **Statutory Exemption** other than a Ministerial Project (CEQA Guidelines Section 15260 to 15285).

**E.** __X__ **Categorical Exemption**

Specify type: Class 1 – Existing Facilities (Section 15301)

**F.**      **Reasons why the project is exempt:**

The proposed development on the garage and new second floor deck and entry way with porch are minor additions. Minor improvements are allowed under Class 1, Existing Facilities. In addition, the proposed 2,953 square feet of habitat restoration on the property will result in significant habitat benefits.

In addition, none of the conditions described in Section 15300.2 apply to this project. All mitigations to potential impacts to surrounding sensitive habitat area have been included in the project, in accordance with the approved Biotic Report, ensuring that there will be no significant impacts.

_Alexandra Corvello_
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Alexandra Corvello, Project Planner

Date:_____
10/24/2024

**EXHIBIT A**