

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95814 County Clerk (County of): N/A	From: Department of Fish and Wildlife Wildlife Conservation Board P.O. Box 944209 Sacramento, CA 99244-2090 Attention: Sadie J. Smith
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Project Title: Eel River Wildlife Area, Expansion 7 (Hansen)

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location – Specific: APN(s)
 (Portions) 310-043-003 & 310-051-001

Project Location – City: N/A

Project Location – County: Humboldt

CEQA Region: N. CA

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:
 To acquire 84± acres of land by the Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) for the protection of estuarine and tidal marsh habitats that support a variety of native fish, wildlife, and plant species, and provide future wildlife-oriented public use opportunities, as an expansion to the CDFW Eel River Wildlife Area.

 WCB Project ID# 2024008

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: PRC 21080.28

Other:

Reasons why this project is exempt:
 Project involves the acquisition of land by a public agency for wildlife conservation 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:** 11/22/2024

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	SCH #: Posted Date: Date Received for Filing at OPR:
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 WCB Board Meeting Folder