

## Notice of Exemption

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| <b>To:</b> Office of Planning and Research<br>State Clearinghouse<br>1400 Tenth Street, Room 113<br>Sacramento, CA 95814 | <b>From:</b> Department of Fish and Wildlife<br><b>Wildlife Conservation Board</b><br>P.O. Box 944209<br>Sacramento, CA 99244-2090 |
| <b>County Clerk (County of):</b> N/A   | <b>Attention:</b> Kurt Malchow   |

**Project Title:** Wildlife Habitat and Community Resilience on Working Lands - Roots 65

**Project Applicant:** Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

**Project Location – Specific: APN(s)**  
 The approximately 6.16-acre project site is located on a ranch in Lassen County located in Honey Lake Valley, California.  
 APN: 119-260-032

**Project Location – City:** Standish

**Project Location – County:** Lassen

**CEQA Region:** Unincorporated

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:**  
 This approximately 6.16-acre project will remove approximately 2,100' of dilapidated barbed wire fence that is situated right on the bank of the Susan River. This fence is much too close to the water to allow management of the riparian area, and it is a hazard and/or a barrier to wildlife in the riparian corridor of the Susan River. That fence will be replaced by a wildlife-friendly, high tensile electric fence, which will be situated much farther from the water, allowing for the addition of approximately 9.9 acres to be managed as a riparian area. (WCB Project Tracker ID: 2022065).

**Public Agency Approving Project:** Department of Fish and Wildlife, WCB

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project:** Rebecca J. Fris, 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: Class 4 exemption (Section 15304), Minor Alterations to Land  
 Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:  
 Other:

**Reasons why this project is exempt:**  
 WCB has determined that the objectives of enhancement and restoration of wildlife and pollinator habitat, and the implementation activities as designed for this project, will result in minor alterations to land and vegetation, and therefore fit within the CCR Section 15304 exemptions.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** Rebecca J. Fris

**Area Code/Telephone Extension:** (916) 212-5637

**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:** Signed by: *Rebecca J. Fris* **Title:** Deputy Executive Director **Date:** 2/26/2025

Signed by Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant

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| Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.<br>Reference: Section 21108, 21152, 21152.1, Public Resources Code | <b>SCH #:</b><br><b>Posted Date:</b><br><b>Date Received for Filing at OPR:</b> |
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