

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 94244-2090
County Clerk (County of): N/A	Contact: Aaron N.K. Haiman Phone: (916) 926-8835 Lead Agency: Marin Municipal Water District Contact: Ben Horenstein Phone: (415) 945-1460

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted by State Clearinghouse) 2023090076

Project Title: Lagunitas Creek Coho Habitat Enhancement, Phase 2a

Project Location: Marin County; Latitude (Decimal Degrees): 38.018367494475854; Longitude (Decimal Degrees): -122.733090365555

CEQA Region: N. CA

Project Description:

The project will construct two instream habitat restoration sites in Lagunitas Creek, and to support recovery of state and federally-endangered Coho Salmon, federally-threatened Steelhead, state and federally-endangered California Freshwater Shrimp, and other native aquatic and riparian species by increasing channel complexity and adding large wood debris and improving sediment transport. In Lagunitas Creek near Samuel P Taylor State Park in Marin County. WCB Project Tracker ID: 2025091.

This is to advise that the Wildlife Conservation Board has approved the above-described project on 2/26/26 and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project.

Lead Agency Responsible Agency

Exempt Status: (Check One)

Ministerial (Sec. 15268):
 Declared Emergency [Sec. 15269 (b) and (c)]:
 Emergency Project [Sec. 15269 (b) and (c)]:
 Categorical Exemption, State Section Number and type:
 Statutory Exemptions, State Code Number and type: Public Resources Code Section 21080.56

Reasons why project is exempt:

The Marin Municipal Water District, as lead agency, determined that the project is statutorily exempt from CEQA pursuant to the Statutory Exemption for Restoration Projects (SERP), Public Resources Code section 21080.56, as a project that meets all of the following conditions: (1) the Project is exclusively to conserve, restore, protect, or enhance, and assist in the recovery of California native fish and wildlife, and the habitat upon which they depend; or is exclusively to restore or provide habitat for California native fish and wildlife; (2) the Project may have public benefits incidental to the Project's fundamental purpose; (3) the Project will result in long-term net benefits to climate resiliency, biodiversity, and sensitive species recovery; and includes procedures and ongoing management for the protection of the environment; and (4) Project construction activities are solely related to habitat restoration.

If filed by applicant:

- Attach certified document of exemption finding.
- Has a notice of exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?
 Yes (by this notice) No

Signature: *John Walsh* for Rebecca Fris **Title:** Deputy Executive Director **Date:** 3/2/2026

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