

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: Jennifer Stanfield

Project Title: Alder-89 Forest and LCT Habitat Restoration
Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)
Project Location – Specific: APN(s) Alder-89 Fuels Reduction: 39.397380, -120.188364 LCT Habitat Enhancement Planning: 39.424721, -120.338629
Project Location – City: Truckee
Project Location – County: Nevada
CEQA Region: N. Cal
Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project: Allocation of a grant for implementation of forest thinning on approximately 2,555 acres to enhance forest health, biodiversity, and wildfire resilience. SCH #2024120363. Allocation of a grant for NEPA planning on approximately 1,245 acres on upper Independence Creek to enhance spawning habitat for Lahontan Cutthroat Trout. WCB Project Tracker ID: 2025029.
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: ☒ Statutory Exemptions, State code Number: Public Resources Code 4799.05 (d)(1), 15262 Planning ☐ Other:
Reasons why this project is exempt: Public Resources Code 4799.05 (d)(1) Division 13 (Commencing with Section 21000, which provides that CEQA does not apply to projects that include prescribed fire, thinning, or fuel reduction actions undertaken on federal lands to reduce the risk of high-severity wildfire that have been reviewed under the federal National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 if the primary role of the state agency is providing funding for the project.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Rebecca J. Fris
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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:  Title: Deputy Executive Director Date: 8/29/2025
☒ 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 #: 2024120363 Posted Date: Date Received for Filing at OPR:
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