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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: Kurt Malchow

Project Title: Building Wildlife-Friendly Resilience in Working Landscapes - Roots 122

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location – Specific: APN(s)

APN - 5231201800. The 1.12-acre project will be implemented on a private property near the town of Alpine in San Diego County. The property is approximately two acres and includes a house, small agriculture area, an ephemeral pond, and an area with native vegetation.

Project Location – City: Alpine

Project Location – County: San Diego

CEQA Region: Unincorporated

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:

This 1.12-acre project will enhance the wildlife habitat on the property by removal of invasive annual grasses/other herbaceous non native species and subsequent planting of native hedgerows in upland areas and along a ephemeral stream. Additionally the project will include structures for bats and song birds, thus adding new artificial roosting and nesting habitat onsite. The planting palette will be selected to ensure there is year-round nectar and floral resources for pollinators as well. (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 33 (CCR Section §15333 - small habitat restoration projects)
- ☐ 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 the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of habitat for fish, plants or wildlife not to exceed five acres in size.

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: DocuSigned by: Rebecca J. Fris 1EAD9B0415D476... **Title:** Deputy Executive Director **Date:** 12/20/2024

☑ 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

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