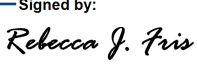
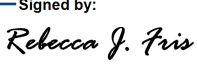
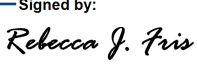


Notice of Exemption

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: Jen Stanfield

Project Title: Salmon & Packer Creek Aspen Restoration
Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)
Project Location – Specific: APN(s) 39.632685, -120.637516 Center of project site
Project Location – City: Bassettts
Project Location – County: Sierra
CEQA Region: N. CA
Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project: The proposed grant will support vegetation management for forest health and aspen restoration on approximately 292 acres within Tahoe National Forest. Project activities include forest thinning throughout the project area and beaver dam analog construction within the creek channel. WCB Project Tracker ID: 2025010.
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 Section 21080.56 ☐ Other:
Reasons why this project is exempt: 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.

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			
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Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21108, 21152, 21152.1, Public Resources Code	SCH #: 2025020740 Posted Date: Date Received for Filing at OPR:
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