

# Notice of Exemption

## Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research  
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County Clerk

County of: Ventura

From: (Public Agency): \_\_\_\_\_  
Ventura County Resource Conservation District  
PO Box 147 Somis CA 93066

(Address)

Project Title: Santa Ana South

Project Applicant: Ventura County Resource Conservation District

Project Location - Specific:

Ventura River, Approx Center Coord. 34.39062, -119.3125

Project Location - City: Oak View

Project Location - County: Ventura

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

OVLC plans to conduct initial treatment and removal of ~6 acres of dense giant reed and other target species from two parcels along the Ventura River. Target species will be treated using the cut-and-daub and foliar spray methods. This restoration project will benefit multiple listed and native species and the riparian habitat of the Ventura River Watershed.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Ventura County Resource Conservation District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Ojai Valley Land Conservancy

Exempt Status: (check one):

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);  
☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));  
☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));  
☐ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: \_\_\_\_\_  
☒ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: SERP CONCURRENCE NO. 21080.56-2025-067-R5

Reasons why project is exempt:

This project falls under the Ventura River Watershed Riparian Resilience Program exempt through a Statutory Exemption for Restoration Projects. The project will conserve, restore, protect, or enhance and assist in the recovery of California native fish and wildlife and is designed to benefit the native riparian habitat in the Ventura River Watershed through habitat restoration activities.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Rachel Ray

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 805-764-5151

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 No

Signature:  Date: 8/26/2026 Title: Habitat Restoration Coordinator

▪ Signed by Lead Agency      Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.  
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_