

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: Don Crocker

Project Title: Scott Bar Mill Creek Fish Passage Improvement (Change of Scope)

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location – Specific: APN(s)
 Project is located within the Scott Bar Mill Creek watershed at the confluence of the Scott River and Mill Creek, 3.3 river-miles upstream of the confluence of the Smith River with the Klamath River.

Project Location – City: 25 miles west of Yreka

Project Location – County: Siskiyou

CEQA Region: N. CA

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:
 Removal of a concrete weir and ford crossing that act as a barrier to fish passage and replace them with a full span bridge and a re-graded channel that will allow coho salmon and other anadromous fish species to access 3 miles of rearing and spawning habitat on Mill Creek in Siskiyou County. WCB Project Tracker ID: 2021179 and 2025026.

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: Section 15262
 Other:

Reasons why this project is exempt:
 Project involves only feasibility and planning studies for possible future actions.

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: Signed by: *Rebecca J. Fris* **Title:** Deputy Executive Director **Date:** 5/23/2025

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 #: Posted Date: Date Received for Filing at OPR:
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