

## Notice of Exemption

<b>To:</b> Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95814	<b>From:</b> Department of Fish and Wildlife <b>Wildlife Conservation Board</b> P.O. Box 944209 Sacramento, CA 99244-2090
<b>County Clerk (County of):</b> N/A	<b>Attention:</b> Celestial Reysner

**Project Title:** Monte Rio Redwoods

**Project Applicant:** Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

**Project Location – Specific: APN(s)**  
 APN's 097-290-001, -002, -003, -004, -005, -006, and -007

**Project Location – City:** Monte Rio

**Project Location – County:** Sonoma

**CEQA Region:** Northern CA

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:**  
 To consider the allocation for a grant to Sonoma County Regional Parks, for a project to acquire in fee 1517 acres of land that allows for expansion of the adjacent Monte Rio Redwoods Regional Park and Open Space Preserve. Located in Monte Rio Redwoods in Sonoma County.  
  
 WCB Project Tracker ID: 2024117

**Public Agency Approving Project:** Department of Fish and Wildlife, WCB

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project:** John P. Walsh, 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: Section 15313, Class 13 & Section 15325, Class 25

Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:

Other:

**Reasons why this project is exempt:**  
 Project involves the acquisition of land for wildlife conservation purposes and the transfer of an ownership interest in land to preserve open space and habitat, including plant or animal habitats.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** John P. Walsh

**Area Code/Telephone Extension:** (916) 539-8016

**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: John Walsh **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	<b>SCH #:</b> <b>Posted Date:</b> <b>Date Received for Filing at OPR:</b>
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