

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 177

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location – Specific: APN(s)
 APN: 040-090-007-000; Township 09N Range 01E Section 17; USGS 7.5' Quad Madison; The project will be implemented on formerly cultivated sections of a private property in Yolo County. Total project area is 3.04 acres.

Project Location – City: Woodland

Project Location – County: Yolo

CEQA Region: Unincorporated

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:
 The goal of this project is to increase nesting opportunities for cavity-nesting birds and increase native trees, shrubs, wildflowers, and grasses to provide more habitat and food resources for invertebrate and vertebrate wildlife. This project will establish 1,930 ft of native plant hedgerow, seed 0.5 acres with native grasses, and install 13 wildlife structures (4 barn owl nest boxes, 2 bat roosting houses, 1 wood duck box, 1 American kestrel box, 4 songbird boxes, and 1 raptor perch). The hedgerows and grass seeding will include native trees, shrubs, perennial wildflowers, and native grasses that will provide forage for beneficial arthropods (e.g., native bees), cover and forage for many vertebrate wildlife species, and the co-benefits of improving soil health and carbon sequestration. The structures for wildlife will include nesting and roosting boxes for several species of birds and bats, and perches for raptors to forage from. Total project area is 3.04 acres. (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: CCR Section 15333 - small habitat restoration
 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: Signed by:
Rebecca J. Fris **Title:** Deputy Executive Director **Date:** 5/29/2025

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:
--	---