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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 on Working Landscapes - Roots 193

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location – Specific: APN(s)

The 1.02-acre project will be implemented on a farm in Petaluma, Sonoma County.
APN: 024-090-030.

Project Location – City: Petaluma

Project Location – County: Sonoma

CEQA Region: Unincorporated

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Benefits of Project:

The goals of this 1.02-acre project are to increase habitat diversity, sequester carbon, control erosion, and engage the local community in conservation practices and restoration science. The project would include the establishment of native riparian vegetation along approximately 870 linear feet of an existing drainage. (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 §15333 small habitat restoration projects
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:
- ☑ Other: Class 4 (CCR Section 15304) Minor Alterations to Land

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. WCB has also determined that the project consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes.

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 1EAD9B041E6D478... **Title:** Deputy Executive Director **Date:** 10/6/2025

☑ 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

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