Notice of Exemption

To: ⊠ Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street, Room 113 [IMS: A-08] Sacramento, CA 95814 From: Department of Fish and Wildlife Wildlife Conservation Board Mailing Address: P.O. Box 944209 Sacramento, CA 99244-2090

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County Clerk (County of): N/A

Attention: Celestial Reysner

Project Title: Marple Canyon Wildlife Crossing Enhancement

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location - Specific: APNs: 3247-017-902, 3247-017-905 and 3247-017-906

Project Location - City: Castaic

Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: To consider the allocation for a grant to Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority for a project to restore and enhance approximately 3 acres of habitat on both approaches to a single-lane box culvert under the separated southbound Interstate 5 to facilitate wildlife movement between Marple and Grasshopper Canyon, located in Los Angeles County.

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

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: John P. Donnelly, 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 15301, Class 1, as the repair or minor alteration of existing facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use; and Section 15304, Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land
- Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:

Reasons why project is exempt: Section 15301, Class 1 consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing at the time of the lead agency's determination. Section 15304, Class 4 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: John P. Donnelly

Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (916) 445-0137

Title: Executive Director

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

2. Has a notice of exemption doesn't led by the public agency approving the project? Xes (by this notice) No

Date: _____2/28/2020

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

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