Notice of Exemption

To: \boxtimes 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 P.O. Box 944209 Sacramento, CA 94244-2090

County Clerk (County of): N/A

Attention: Alyssa Persau

Project Title: Mt. Gilead Water Conservation and Flow Improvement Design

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location - Specific: Mt. Gilead Bible Camp & Conference Center, 13485 Green Valley Rd, Sebastopol, CA

Project Location - City: Sebastopol

Project Location - County: Sonoma

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: This planning project will develop final (100%) design plans for a suite of water conservation measures and a large-scale rainwater catchment system as an alternative water supply for playing field irrigation at the Mt. Gilead Bible Camp and Conference Center. These improvements will substantially reduce dry season water extraction from a series of shallow alluvial wells adjacent to Green Valley Creek and enhance late summer stream flows through a critical coho salmon rearing reach. The project also includes monitoring activities to document pre-project baseline conditions and support future evaluation of project effectiveness.

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:**

Ministerial (Sec. 15268):

Declared Emergency [Sec. 15269 (a)]:

Emergency Project [Sec. 15269 (b) and (c)]:

- Categorical Exemption. State Section number and type:
- \square Statutory Exemption: Section 15262; feasibility or planning studies for possible future actions that the agency has not approved, adopted or funded.

Reasons why project is exempt: Project involves only environmental analysis or planning studies for possible future actions which the agency, board, or commission has not approved, adopted, or funded. Lead Agency Contact Person: John P. Donnelly Area Code/Telephone/Extension: (916) 445-0137

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:	Jolun Donnelly FB2B729029842B	Date: _	4/2/2020	Title: Executive Director
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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. Date received for Filing:

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