## **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 94244-2090

County Clerk (County of): N/A

Attention: Alyssa Persau

Project Title: San Geronimo Conservation Easement and Flow Enhancement, Project ID: 2021034

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location - Specific: 5800 Sir Francis Drake Blvd, San Geronimo, CA 94963 Project Location - City: San Geronimo Project Location - County: Marin

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** Acquire a conservation easement over 135 acres of the former San Geronimo Golf Course in Marin County, within the Lagunitas Creek watershed. Following acquisition of the conservation easement, a petition will be filed under California Water Code Section 1707 to permanently dedicate a post-1914 appropriative right associated with the property to instream flow.

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: Section 15313, Class 13, Acquisition of Lands for Wildlife Conservation Purposes, consists of the acquisition of lands for fish and wildlife conservation purposes, including preservation of fish and wildlife habitat; Section 15301, Class 1, Existing Facilities, consists of operation, repair, maintenance, and minor alteration of existing facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use for maintenance of wildlife habitat areas and stream flows to protect fish and wildlife resources; and Section 15304, Class 4, Minor Alterations to Land, consists of minor alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

Statutory Exemption: State code Number.

**Reasons why project is exempt:** Project involves the acquisition of land for fish and wildlife conservation purposes; operation, repair, maintenance, and minor alteration of existing facilities for maintenance of wildlife habitat areas and stream flows to protect fish and wildlife resources; and minor alterations in the condition of land and water.

## 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? Xes (by this notice) No

Signature: John P. Donnelly

Date: 4/22/2021

Title: Executive Director

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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