Notice of Exemption

To: ⊠ Office of Planning and Research State Clearinghouse 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 From: Department of Fish and Wildlife WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD Mailing address: P.O. Box 944209 Sacramento, CA 94244-2090

County Clerk (County of): N/A

Attention: Kurt Weber

Project Title: Stookey Ranch Preserve

Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

Project Location – Specific: The Property is located at 3629 E, Westfall Road, 12 miles northeast of the community of Mariposa in Mariposa County, Assessor's Parcel No's. 015-030-0110 and 015-040-0210.

Project Location – City: N/A

Project Location – County: Mariposa

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: A grant to the Sierra Foothill Conservancy to assist in its acquisition of 226± acres of land for the for the protection of migration corridors and wildlife habitat. WCB Project ID: 2020109.

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. 15073):
- Declared Emergency [Sec. 15071 (a)]:
- Emergency Project [Sec. 15071 (b) and (c)]:
- Categorical Exemption. State Section number and type: Section 15313, Class 13 and Section 15325, Class 25
 - Statutory Exemptions, State code Number:

Reasons why project is exempt: Project involves the acquisition of land for wildlife conservation purposes and the transfer of an ownership interest in land to preserve open space and habitat, including plant or animal habitats.

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: 8/27/2021

Title: Executive Director

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section21108, 21152, 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

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