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: Cara Allen
Project Title: Kingfisher Flat Hatchery, Fire Recovery	
Project Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)	
Project Location - Specific: APN: 057-25-106 and 057-251-02	
Project Location - City: Davenport	Project Location - County: Santa Cruz
Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Emergency repairs and replacement of fish hatchery equipment, utilities, and infrastructure that were damaged in the CZU lightning complex wildfire. Project will restore the Kingfisher Flat Hatchery to its pre-wildfire status and capacity by replacing water intake infrastructure components on Big Creek and Berry Creek, filling the unused upper raceway with gravel for placement of rearing, spawning, and handling tanks, constructing an 8-foot by 16-foot bathroom and changing room with water and flush toilet connected to an engineered septic system, reconstructing upper bridge on Big Creek Road, and grading and filling an unprotected vertical cut bank to 3:1 slope and revegetating with native riparian plants. WCB Project Tracker ID: 2021014.	
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: Declared Emergency [Sec. 15269 (a)] Categorical Exemption. 15301, Class 1 Existing Facilities; 15302, Class 2 Replacement and Reconstruction; and 15304, Class 4 Minor Alterations to land Reasons why project is exempt: Project consists of the maintenance, repair, restoration, demolition, or replacement of property or facilities damaged or destroyed by a disaster in a disaster-stricken area in which a state of emergency has been proclaimed by the Governor pursuant to the California Emergency Services Act, commencing with Section 8550 of the Government Code; 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 an existing use; the replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced; and, minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation within the condition of land.	
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
 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: John P. Donnelly Date:8/3	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. Date received for Filing:	

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