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**PROJECT TITLE**

**NATIVE HEDGEROW PLANTINGS ON LOCAL FARMS IN SAN MATEO COUNTY**

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- [X] Local Public Agency
- [ ] School District
- [ ] Other Special District
- [ ] State Agency
- [ ] Private Entity

**CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:**

- [ ] Environmental Impact Report (EIR) $3,839.25
- [ ] Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)/(ND) $2,764.00
- [ ] Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW $1,305.25
- [ ] Environmental Permit Application $850.00
- [ ] County documentary handling fee $50.00

**PAYMENT METHOD:**

- [ ] Cash
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**TOTAL RECEIVED** $50.00

**SIGNATURE**

Sheila Arkoncel Deputy Clerk

**AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE**
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FROM ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Filed to: Office of Planning and Research  
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk of: San Mateo

Project Title: Native Hedgerow Plantings on Local Farms in San Mateo County

Project Location: Miramar Farms (420 Purisima Way, Half Moon Bay, CA), Fruition Farms (5540 Cloverdale Road, Pescadero, CA), and the HEAL Project San Mateo County School Farm (500 Bridgeport Drive, Half Moon Bay, CA)

City and County: Pescadero and Half Moon Bay, San Mateo County

Description of Nature and Purpose of Project:

This project aims to plant a total of 1,354 linear feet of native plants at five sites on three farms on the San Mateo County coast. Some input on planting designs and species selection was provided by the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service. These plant species will attract pollinators and provide shelter and food for wildlife. They will also benefit the land by capturing carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and storing it in the plant’s stems and roots as carbon. Linear plantings are common agricultural practices and have been utilized on farms around the world for centuries, to provide habitat for wildlife, decrease the impact of wind on agricultural operations, provide physical and visual barriers, prevent weed seed drift, and prevent dust from impacting crops.

Name of Person, Board, Commission or Department Proposing to Carry Out Project:
San Mateo Resource Conservation District  
80 Stone Pine Road, Suite 100  
Half Moon Bay, CA 94019

Contact Person: Kasey Butler  
Telephone: 650-712-7765 ext. 108

EXEMPT STATUS:
Categorical Exemption, Class 4 (15304), Class 33 (15333)

Remarks: See next page.

Date of Determination: August 2, 2023

I do hereby certify that the above determination has been made pursuant to State and Local requirements.

Kasey Butler, Senior Project Manager

FILED
SAN MATEO COUNTY
Aug 08 2023
MARK CHURCH, County Clerk
By
Deputy Clerk
REMARKS:

The goals for the Project are to 1) provide habitat for wildlife and pollinators in the form of shelter and food, 2) protect crops from wind and dust, and 3) improve the soil by capturing carbon from the atmosphere and storing it in the plant stems and roots. This Project will require digging holes for plants, installing an efficient irrigation system, laying down mulch to prevent weeds, planting plants that require protection into gopher baskets to protect them from gopher damage, and adding compost in planting holes for plants that require additional amendment.

The project qualifies for two separate exemptions from CEQA environmental review:

- Class 4 - Minor alterations to land (CEQA Guidelines, Section 15304)
- Class 33 - Small habitat restoration (CEQA Guidelines, Section 15333)

**Class 4 Rationale**

*Class 4 consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes.*

Examples of this exemption that this project is most related to include, but are not limited to:

*(b) New gardening or landscaping, including the replacement of existing conventional landscaping with water-efficient or fire-resistant landscaping.*

The project includes new planting of native and mostly drought-tolerant plants.

**Class 33 Rationale**

*Class 33 consists of projects not to exceed five acres in size to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of habitat for fish, plants, or wildlife.* The following four bullets list the criteria for projects to meet Categorical Exemption 15333 as described in the CEQA Statute and Guidelines.

*(a) There would be no significant adverse impact on endangered, rare or threatened species or their habitat pursuant to section 15065,*

All planting areas are all within already disturbed agricultural areas. The goal of the project is to create habitat for pollinators and other wildlife and will enhance habitat, not have an adverse impact.

*(b) There are no hazardous materials at or around the project site that may be disturbed or removed, and* 

There are no known hazardous materials at or around the project site.

*(c) The project will not result in impacts that are significant when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects.*
The project will not result in impacts that are significant when viewed in connection with the effects of past, current, or probable future projects because the implementation of the project will follow all best management practices to ensure there are no significant impacts.

(d) Examples of small restoration projects may include, but are not limited to:

(4) projects to restore or enhance habitat that are carried out principally with hand labor and not mechanized equipment.
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