

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO:	FROM: Inland Empire Resource Conservation (Public District Agency)
<input type="checkbox"/> Office of Planning and Research P. O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clerk of the Board of Supervisors or County Clerk County of: Riverside	Address 25864-K Business Center Drive Redlands, CA 92374

1. Project Title:	Louis Robidoux Parkland and Pecan Grove Nursery and Restoration
2. Project Applicant:	Inland Empire Resource Conservation District
3. Project Location – Identify street address and cross streets or attach a map showing project site (preferably a USGS 15' or 7 1/2' topographical map identified by quadrangle name):	The Project is located at the Louis Robidoux Parkland and Pecan Grove: 5370 Riverview Dr., Riverside, CA 92509 and mapped on the U.S. Geological Survey Riverside West 7.5-minute topographical quadrangle(s) within Ranges 5 West; Township 2 South.
4. (a) Project Location – City: Riverside, CA	(b) Project Location County: Riverside
5. Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of Project:	For this project, IERCD will be working with the Southern California Mountains Foundation to expand the existing native plant nursery structure and assist with the ongoing uplift and restoration of the Louis Robidoux Parkland and Pecan Grove. Native plants will be grown on site and planted on the native gardens to create habitat for native wildlife. Additional work will include spreading native seed and invasive species treatment and removal through the use of hand tools and hand pulling.
6. Name of Public Agency approving project:	Inland Empire Resource Conservation District
7. Name of Person or Agency undertaking the project, including any person undertaking an activity that receives financial assistance from the Public Agency as part of the activity or the person receiving a lease, permit, license, certificate, or other entitlement of use from the Public Agency as part of the activity:	Inland Empire Resource Conservation District
8. Exempt status: (check one)	
(a) <input type="checkbox"/> Ministerial project.	(Pub. Res. Code § 21080(b)(1); State CEQA Guidelines § 15268)
(b) <input type="checkbox"/> Not a project.	
(c) <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Project.	(Pub. Res. Code § 21080(b)(4); State CEQA Guidelines § 15269(b),(c))

(d) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Categorical Exemption. State type and section number:	Class 4 – §15304 Minor Alteration to Land
(e) <input type="checkbox"/> Declared Emergency.	(Pub. Res. Code § 21080(b)(3); State CEQA Guidelines § 15269(a))
(f) <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Exemption.	

State Code section number:	
(g) <input type="checkbox"/>	Other. Explanation:
9. Reason why project was exempt:	<p>The basis for the District’s determination that the project is exempt is detailed below:</p> <p>State CEQA Guidelines, §15304 - Minor Alterations to Land: The Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines § 15304, which applies to minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of mature, scenic trees except for forestry and agricultural purposes.</p> <p>This project will consist of maintaining intact lands already suitable for target species and uplifting habitats to benefit target species, only requiring minor alterations to land. The project will not consist of removing mature and/or scenic trees.</p> <p>None of the exceptions enumerated in State CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 apply to the exemptions applicable here.</p>
10. Lead Agency Contact Person:	Mandy Parkes
Telephone:	(909) 799 – 7407
11. If filed by applicant: Attach Preliminary Exemption Assessment (Form “A”) before filing.	
12. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
13. Was a public meeting held by the lead agency to consider the exemption? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
If yes, the date of the public meeting was: 12/07/2023	

Signature:  Date: 12/28/2023 Title: District Manager

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Date Received for Filing: _____

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Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21100, Public Resources Code.
 Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.