

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

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

1. Project Title:	Monarch and Pollinator Restoration at El Dorado Ranch Park
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):	37186-, 37254 Oak Glen Rd, Yucaipa, CA 92399 – El Dorado Ranch Park
4. (a) Project Location – City: Yucaipa, CA	(b) Project Location County: San Bernardino
5. Description of nature, purpose, and beneficiaries of Project:	This Project will consist of uplifting and enhancing a 1.5-acre section of the El Dorado Ranch Park in Yucaipa, CA. For the 1.5-acre restoration, the Inland Empire Resource Conservation District (“IERCD”) will conduct site preparation by treating and removing the herbaceous weeds that currently vegetate the property. This will be followed by the introduction of Milkweed and other native plants for Monarch and pollinator habitat.  On April 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2023, the IERCD Board of Directors approved the Project.
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:	Small Habitat Restoration Projects Class 33 (§15333)
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(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><b>Small Habitat Restoration Projects:</b> This Project is exempt pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines, section 15333, which applies to small habitat restoration projects. The Project will consist of a 1.5-acre restoration to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection for Monarch and other pollinator habitat. Furthermore, this project will create native habitat that will benefit other native wildlife. There will be no significant impacts to endangered, rare or threatened species or their habitat pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines section 15065; no hazardous materials at or around the project site that may be disturbed or removed; and the project will not result in significant impacts when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, other current projects, and probable future projects.</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: <u>April 13th, 2023</u>		

Signature:  Date: 4/13/23 Title: District Manager

Signed by Lead Agency       Signed by Applicant

Date Received for Filing: 4/13/23

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