

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044, Room 113
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From: (Public Agency): San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority

County Clerk

County of: Marin

(Address)

Project Title: ACCELERATING ECOSYSTEM-SCALE HABITAT STEWARDSHIP IN RICHARDSON BAY

Project Applicant: San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority

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Project Location - Specific:

OCT 12 2026

Richardson Bay, Eelgrass Protection Zone

Project Location - City: Richardson Bay

Project Location - County: Marin

SHELLY SCOTT
MARIN COUNTY CLERK
BY: [Signature], Deputy

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Notice of Exemption for San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority approval of grant funding. The project includes restoring 6 acres of eelgrass through traditional eelgrass shoot transplantation and autonomous underwater vehicle eelgrass seeding, post-implementation ecological monitoring, and workforce development i

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Richardson Bay Regional Agency

Exempt Status: (check one):

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- ☒ Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 14 Cal Code of Regs Section 15304
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project is categorically exempt from CEQA under 14 Cal Code of Regs Section 15304, which exempts minor alterations to land, water, and/or vegetation that do not involve removal of mature, healthy, scenic trees. The planting of eelgrass shoots and injection of eelgrass seeds into the Eelgrass Protection Zone, an area where eelgrass has historically thrived and where it is protected, will enhance this habitat. The project does not include the

Lead Agency signature healthy, scenic trees.

Contact Person: Brad Gross Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 650-587-7300

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 No

Signature: Alexis Barrera Date: 9/11/26 Title: Project Manager

☒ Signed by Lead Agency ☐ Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

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