

**ATTACHMENT D  
DE MINIMIS IMPACT FINDING ON THE STATE FISH AND WILDLIFE HABITAT**



**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME**

**CERTIFICATE OF FEE EXEMPTION: DE MINIMIS IMPACT FINDING**

**Project Title/Location:** Zoning Code Amendments – Hillside Overlay Districts (2006)

**Project Applicant:** City of Pasadena

**Project Description:** These Zoning Code amendments to the Hillside District Ordinance include the following changes: 1) guidelines (i.e. lots not in Pasadena, lots in neighborhood separated by physical barrier) for defining the 'neighborhood' when utilizing the Neighborhood Compatibility calculation; 2) guidelines (i.e. relative lot size, low lot average slope) for allowing floor area in excess of that allowed by the Neighborhood Compatibility calculation; 3) clarification of the slope reduction formula; 4) replacing all references to "50 percent slope" with "2:1 slope"; and 5) confirming the applicability of the Hillside Development findings for projects in the HD-1 overlay district.

**Findings of Exemption:** The project will not: have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) or the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS); have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by CDFG or USFWS; have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means; interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites; conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance, or; conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan.

**Certification:** I hereby certify that the Lead Agency has made the above findings of fact and that based upon the Initial Study and public hearing record the project will not individually or cumulatively have an adverse effect on wildlife resources, as defined in Section 711.2 of the Fish and Game Code.

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Lead Agency: City of Pasadena  
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