**Private Property Access Request**

Dear Landowner,

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) is conducting a statewide survey for bank swallows (*Riparia riparia*) in April, May, and June of 2021, and is requesting permission to access your property for the purpose of these surveys. Bank swallows are colonial nesting birds that construct burrows in the sides of eroding banks typically found along streams, rivers, and lakeshores.

Location of Interest: Add locational information of proposed surveys (stream name county, coordinates, etc.)

The requested access will be limited to areas of potential habitat and travel to and from these areas. Surveys will involve walking or driving streams, rivers, or lakes in search of bank swallow colonies and will be conducted at your convenience. Surveys should take no more than one to three days, depending on the extent of habitat.

Pending your permission, CDFW will provide you with the following information generated from this effort:

1. The location of all bank swallow colonies located on your property
2. The final statewide report on the status of California’s bank swallow population

If you are willing to grant access to your property, please complete the following permission form and return to Jeff McFarland at jeffrey.mcfarland@wildlife.ca.gov or mail to:

Jeff McFarland

Environmental Scientist

1701 Nimbus Road, Suite A

Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Jeff McFarland, Environmental Scientist, at (916) 956-7044.

**Permission to Access Private Property**

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, give consent to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) and their agents to access streams, rivers, and lakes within my property for the purpose of locating bank swallow colonies.

Access is allowed between the dates of: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Landowner Contact: Phone #\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_­­­­\_\_­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Today’s date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of resident: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_