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Notice of Exemption

<b>To:</b> Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	<b>From:</b> California Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR), Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division 1725 23rd Street, Suite 200 Sacramento, CA 95816-7100
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**Project Title:** Los Padres National Forest Ground Operations – Santa Lucia and Mount Pinos

**Project Applicant:** U.S. Forest Service (USFS), Los Padres National Forest

**Project Location – Specific:** Primarily Santa Lucia and Mount Pinos Ranger Districts

**Project Location – City:** NA

**Project Location – County:** Los Angeles, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Ventura, Kern

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** The project includes ongoing facility and trail maintenance along 335 miles of trail. Trail maintenance includes surveys, clearing hazard trees, repairs, brushing, logging out, maintaining erosion features, and hardening trail sections. Facility (restroom, picnic tables, fire rings) maintenance and repair includes activities such as vault toilet pumping, cleaning, painting, and litter pick up. Resource surveys and monitoring will also be conducted.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** CDPR, OHMVR Division

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** USFS, Los Padres National Forest

**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 (CE). 15301 Existing facilities operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number.
- Activity not subject to CEQA review.

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The project is exempt because it falls within the CE class listed above. Project activities described above do not have the potential for causing a significant adverse effect on the environment. A CEQA Exemption Review Form for the project is on file at the OHMVR Division office listed above.

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