



State of California – The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
PO Box 2006
Eureka, CA 95502-2006

PROJECT TITLE: Oregon Silverspot Butterfly Habitat Enhancement

LOCATION: Tolowa Dunes State Park

COUNTY: Del Norte

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Remove non-native plant species and plant native nectar plant species in the dune area of Tolowa Dunes State Park to enhance habitat and support recovery of the federally threatened Oregon silverspot butterfly (OSB). Project work will occur during the OSB flight season of July 1 to September 5. Work will:

- Use shovels and other hand tools to excavate up to 24” in depth to remove invasive non-native plant species;
- Pile and burn all removed vegetation on site or transport to an appropriate dump area to be burned at a later date or place removed vegetation in unrestored areas adjacent to the project area and let it decompose naturally; and
- Plant and spread seed for native plants to reestablish habitat for the OSB.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: North Coast Redwoods District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption

Class: 4

Section: 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of minor alteration in the condition of land and/or vegetation that do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and consists of restoration that does not exceed five acres in size for plant and wildlife habitat; included as “resource management projects” in the Department of Parks and Recreation’s list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR§ 15300.4.

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