



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Goldspotted Oak Borer Prevention and Management (Proj#19/20-IE-02, ER 13018)

LOCATION: Mt. San Jacinto State Park

COUNTY: Riverside

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: GSOB is an invasive insect pest, which is infesting oak species within Mt. San Jacinto State Park. State Parks shall conduct preventive pesticide applications to prevent further spread of and suppress GSOB infestations in order to protect valuable forest habitat. This project will take place within Mount San Jacinto State Park's Idyllwild and Stone Creek Campgrounds and surrounding natural open space areas excluding state wilderness. Dinotefuran, the insecticide to be used, is brand named Safari 20 SG and manufactured by Valent. Treatment will need to take place annually until GSOB is extirpated in the Idyllwild area or an alternative is found to be effective. Tree removal if necessary, will follow best management practices, and only take place on GSOB infested trees with high-injury ratings.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Inland Empire

EXEMPT STATUS:

- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- Statutory Exemption (Section)
- Categorical Exemption
Class: 4 Section: 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: No potential for significant impact to the environment is anticipated in compliance with Section 15300.2. If the project is implemented as indicated within the CDPR Project Evaluation Form including measures provided by CDPR staff, then it is exempt under the CDPR List of Exempt Activities according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

Section 15304- Minor Alterations to Land – Resource management projects

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 DATE 5/26/20