



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Borrego Palm Canyon Campground Access Road Repaving (ABDSP 225)

LOCATION: Anza-Borrego Desert State Park **COUNTY:** San Diego

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: This project will replace the failing road surface asphalt on the Borrego Palm Canyon Campground and Day Use Area access road from Palm Canyon Drive to the entrance kiosk. The project work will be completed in 4 approximately equal phases. Phases 1 and 2 are funded for initial completion. (Phases 3 and 4 will be completed in the future). The total project consists of grinding 128,700 square feet of existing asphalt 2" to 4" deep. The ground asphalt will be fine graded and compacted for reuse as a sub-base for the new asphalt. The grinding process will not exceed 1" in depth of ground disturbance beneath the existing asphalt. Two feet out on each side of the road, 4,998 square feet of 2" thick road base aggregate will be added for road edge protection. The heavy equipment operator will level that area to the height of the new road surface.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Colorado Desert District

EXEMPT STATUS:

- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- Statutory Exemption (Section)
- Categorical Exemption
Class: 1 and 4 Section: 15301 and 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: No potential for significant impact to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA §15300.2. If the project is implemented as indicated within the project description including conditions provided by CDPR specialists, then it is exempt under CEQA §15301 – Existing Facilities. The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt activities according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- "Trail and road repairs" (Class 1, Section 15301)

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