



**State of California – Natural Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Campground and Historic Village Visitor Center Accessibility Improvements

LOCATION: China Camp State Park

COUNTY: Marin

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: California State Parks is required, under a 2005 Consent Decree, to provide barrier-free features at all State Parks. This project will address accessibility improvements in three locations (Back Ranch Parking Lot, Back Ranch Campground & Historic Village Center) within China Camp State Park. Work is as follows:

At the Back Ranch Parking Lot: Comfort Station #8; Renovate the existing 250 ft² non-historic comfort station. Work will:

- Sawcut and remove approximately 110 ft² of 4" thick concrete and the existing drinking fountain concrete pad;
- Sawcut and remove 4" deep existing asphalt in current parking lot covering approximately 870ft²;
- Remove boulders (5) for relocation to new concrete plaza;
- Excavate trench 30"D x 6"W x 18'L and install water line from existing drinking fountain and wharf hydrant locations;
- Replace entrance plaza, accessible parking pads and paving in front of comfort station #8 with 4" reinforced concrete paving on 6" deep AB covering approximately 1650 ft²;
- Replace trail path to concrete plaza with 4" depth aggregate base covering approximately 350 ft²;
- Install 6" deep drain rock on current retention area covering approximately 275 ft²;
- Install approximately 310 ft² of new asphalt to meet new grade on top of existing asphalt paving;
- Excavate two 12" diameter x 3' deep holes and install new interpretive panel with concrete pier footings;
- Excavate 18" deep. Cover 8" from bottom of boulder with 4" thick concrete and 6" AB underneath.

Site 2: Combination Building #9 - Back Ranch Campground; Renovate an existing 800ft² comfort station encompassing a unisex restroom, unisex shower, and drinking fountain updated to current accessible standards. Work will:

- Remove and replace all existing fixtures, tile finishes, floor slab and existing wall;
- Excavate a 24"D x 18"W x 18"L trench and construct a new 18" long wall footing and CMU wall connecting to existing CMU wall.

Site 3: China Camp Historic Village Visitor Center and Combo Building; renovate an existing 1100ft² restroom/change room and adjacent exterior shower. The restroom/change room and exterior shower will be demolished and replaced with a new CMU building finished to coordinate with the existing historic context. The number of restrooms and change rooms will remain the same. The building footprint and surrounding concrete walkway will extend beyond the original building footprint. A designated accessible paved parking pad and relocated exterior shower will be added adjacent to the building walkway.

- Demo existing building and approximately 500 square feet of 4" thick concrete apron surrounding the restroom;
- Remove outdoor shower walkway and curb, cap water and sewer for future shower connection;
- Replace approximately 880 ft² of concrete paving around new accessible parking, restroom apron and shower pad by excavating 12" deep and installing 4" deep concrete paving with 6" aggregate base;
- Replace 3300 ft² of 4" depth aggregate base around new restroom building and new accessible parking stalls, feathering out to meet existing aggregate road;
- Excavate 24" deep and install 10 feet long by 12" thick low concrete wall, with 10 feet long, 12" deep by 19"-wide footing and 6" deep base rock underneath adjacent to restroom building;
- Remove and salvage approximately 1170ft² of decking planks for relocation;

- Remove three existing imbedded step stones at existing building entrance;
- Replace accessible parking and drain dip with 4" deep concrete paving with 6" AB by excavating 12" deep covering approximately 560ft²;
- Replace approximately 5000ft² of decking around existing historical building, new accessible parking stalls, route of travel and picnic pad with 4" depth aggregate base;
- Install an approximately 1200ft² Redwood Ramp. Work includes excavating 12" deep under entire ramp for air space and install 6" x 10" Pressure Treated Douglas Fir 8 feet long joist under deck, 4 feet apart with (3) 9" deep by 18" wide concrete footings;
- Install decking surface with salvaged decking planks, augmented with new decking planks if/as needed.

No natural or cultural resources will be impacted by this project.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Accessibilities Section

EXEMPT STATUS:


Categorical Exemption *Class: 4 & 6 Section: 15304 and 15306*

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT Project consists of the repair, maintenance or minor alteration of existing public or private structures or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels; replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced; consist of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; the minor public or private alterations in the condition of land which do not involve the removal of healthy, mature scenic trees; included as "Modifications of existing facilities for disabled access", in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4.

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