State of California **Department of Parks and Recreation**

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research

FROM:

Department of Parks and Recreation

1400 Tenth Street

7806 Folsom-Auburn Road

Sacramento, CA 95814

Folsom, CA 95630

PROJECT TITLE: Brush Clearing Foresthill Bridge Area

LOCATION: Auburn State Recreation Area

COUNTY: Placer

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Clear brush and perform other vegetation modification in order to reduce fuel loads, discourage illegal camping, reduce littering and address sanitation issues as well as to support cleanup and enforcement efforts in an approximately 7-acre area immediately north of Foresthill Road on the west side of the Foresthill Bridge, within Auburn State Recreation Area. Work will be performed by Auburn SRA maintenance staff or Cal Fire crews using chainsaws, pole saws, chippers, string trimmers and loppers. Chipped material will be broadcast throughout the area or piled and burned where the terrain prevents chipping. All burning will be approved through the Auburn SRA Prescribed Fire Incident Reporting System (PFIRS) account. Removal of vegetation will conform to the Auburn Shaded Fuel Break prescription and be consistent with California State Parks policies.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Gold Fields District

EXEMPT STATUS:

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Categorical Exemption

Class: 4

Section: 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of vegetation modification and fuel reduction and is considered "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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