



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

### NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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

**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
Diablo Range District  
15751 Tesla Road  
Livermore, CA 94550

**PROJECT TITLE:** Issue Scientific Collection Permit to Lawrence Livermore National Lab for Soil Research

**LOCATION:** Mount Diablo State Park

**COUNTY:** Contra Costa

<https://www.google.com/maps/@37.8739053,-121.9434127,13.25z>

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Issue a Scientific Collection Permit to Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory for completion of LLNL-AR-809964 "Proposal for determination of Background Concentrations of Metals and Radioisotopes in Soil at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory Site 300 Using Samples from Mt. Diablo State Park." With oversight from State Parks, researchers will:

- Collect up to fifty (50) 6" deep by 6" wide surface soil samples;
- Collect up to twenty five (25) subsurface soil samples from up to 2' below ground surface; and
- Collect up to twenty (20) bedrock samples.

All work conducted in association with the permit will comply with all State and Federal environmental laws, including but not limited to the Endangered Species Act, California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and Section 5024 of the Public Resources Code.

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

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** Diablo Range District

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

Categorical Exemption    *Class: 5*                      *Section: 15305*

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of minor alterations in land use limitations which do not result in any changes in land use or density, and is included as "issuance of temporary use permits" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4.

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