



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: Backcountry Road Vegetation Work

LOCATION: Mount Diablo State Park **COUNTY:** Contra Costa
<https://www.google.com/maps/@37.8936522,-121.9421142,14.25z>

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Project will maintain backcountry roads by clearing vegetation from the prism of the roadway and the road shoulder. Additional work will address roadway erosion to maintain proper surface drainage. Maintenance of backcountry roads will improve access for ranger patrol and emergency response vehicles. Work will:

- Use chainsaw and loppers to clear vegetation from the roadway to a height of 14’;
- Thin shrubs and trees less than 6” in diameter within up to 5’ from each side of the road;
- Remove ladder fuels by pruning the branches on remaining trees and shrubs up to 10’ above the ground;
- Lop and scatter material on site; and
- Use shovels and tampers to fill in ruts, remove berms, and maintain existing trail features.

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

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

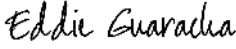
EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption *Class:* 1 & 4 *Section:* 15301 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the repair, maintenance or minor alteration of existing topographical features involving no expansion of use beyond current levels and is included as “trail or road repairs” in the Department of Parks and Recreation’s list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR § 15300.4; and minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes.

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