



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: Install Mark Twain Interpretive Panels at North Tahoe and Sandy Beaches

LOCATION: CA Tahoe Conservancy (CTC) **COUNTY:** Placer

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Install one (1) interpretive panel at North Tahoe Beach and two (2) interpretive panels at Sandy Beach to inform visitors about the history of Samuel L. Clemens (aka Mark Twain) in these areas. North Tahoe Beach and Sandy Beach are California Tahoe Conservancy (CTC) units that are managed by California State Parks as described in a Memorandum of Understanding between the two agencies. This is a CTC project, on CTC land, where Parks is handling CEQA.

The panel dimensions are all 2' tall by 3' wide and include text and illustrations. Each panel is mounted to two (2) metal 4" x 4" posts set in 10" wide by 22" deep holes and secured with concrete. Work will:

- Use hand tools to excavate two (2) 10" diameter by 22" deep holes at North Tahoe Beach and four (4) 10" diameter by 22" holes at Sandy Beach (six (6) holes total);
- Mix concrete onsite with hand tools cleaned of all dirt and vegetation prior to arriving onsite;
- Insert 4" x 4" metal posts into each hole and secure with concrete;
- Attach the 2' tall by x 3' wide panels (32" above the ground) to the metal posts with tamper resistant hardware and;
- Cover cement with native material to blend with surroundings.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Sierra District

EXEMPT STATUS:

- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- Statutory Exemption (Section)
- Categorical Exemption
Class: 3 & 4 Section: 15303 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of construction and location of limited numbers of new, small structures, included as "interpretive panels and signs" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCRS 15300.4 and the minor public alteration in the condition of land, water and/or vegetation which does not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees for forestry purposes.

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