



NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY/ MITIGATED NEGATIVE
DECLARATION FOR THE PROPOSED
GREEN OAKS RESTORATION PROJECT

Date: April 9, 2021

Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) has prepared and intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the proposed project, in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and State CEQA Guidelines. DPR is the lead agency for the proposed project under CEQA.

PROJECT LOCATION: The project is located on the former Steele Ranch property, an approximately 235-acre portion of Año Nuevo State Park, near the intersection of Highway 1 and Green Oaks Way, approximately 25-miles north of the City of Santa Cruz, California.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT: DPR proposes to restore the natural hydrology of the former Steele Ranch property, raising the seasonal groundwater table to support wet meadow and riparian habitat. The project will maintain current habitat and create additional seasonal and perennial open water with enhanced adjacent upland habitat for the benefit of California Red Legged Frogs and San Francisco Garter Snakes.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration is being circulated for public review and comment for a period of 30 days, beginning April 9, 2021, and ending May 10, 2021. Questions regarding the project should be directed to Ryan Diller at 303 N Big Trees Park Road, Felton, CA, 95018 or by email at ryan.diller@parks.ca.gov.

Your views and comments on the Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration are welcomed. Written comments should be submitted no later than May 10, 2021, to the following address:

Santa Cruz District Headquarters
California State Parks
303 N Big Trees Park Road
Felton, CA 95018

Copies of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration may be reviewed during normal business hours at the above address or at the following Internet Address: https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=982 and the following local addresses:

Año Nuevo State Park
1 New Years Creek Rd.
Pescadero, CA 94060

Felton Branch Library
6121 Gushee Street
Felton, CA 95019