

State of California
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
One Capitol Mall, Suite 410
Sacramento, CA 95814

PROJECT TITLE: Combo/Restrooms and Visitor Center Accessibility Improvements Geotechnical Investigation

LOCATION: Sue-meg (Patrick’s Point) SP COUNTY: Humboldt County

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Conduct a geotechnical investigation on multiple sites in Patrick’s Point State Park to identify the soil conditions under and around existing pavement areas, combination/restroom buildings, and visitor center, which are intended to be renovated and/or expanded. Work will:

1. Observe existing site conditions.
2. Perform up to six (6) exploratory borings in the vicinity of the existing building locations using a truck-mounted drill rig equipped with hollow-stem augers and/or mud rotary drilling equipment and collect representative soil samples. Drill depths will range from 10-ft to 20-ft.
3. Upon completion, the 10 to 20-foot borings will be backfilled with the excavated material. Excess drill fluids and cuttings from the mud-rotary boring (if used) will be contained in 55-gallon drums, temporarily stored onsite, and subsequently disposed of offsite at a licensed disposal facility.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Northern Service Center

EXEMPT STATUS

Categorical Exemption Classes: 4 & 6 Sections: 15304 & 15306

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

This project consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land which do not involve the removal of healthy, mature scenic trees; and basic data collection, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource; included as “soil and structural engineering tests” in the Department of Parks and Recreation’s list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4.

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