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

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Nicholas Pond Trail Post-Woolsey Fire FEMA-related Project (ER-13421)

LOCATION: Leo Carrillo State Park

COUNTY: Los Angeles

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:
This project proposes reconstruction of a bridge, boardwalk, and overlook along Nicholas Pond Trail due to wildfire damage. The project would involve excavating the bridge approaches for 5-10 feet in order to replace the burned-out soil dams. The excavated area will be 4' deep by 6' wide by the 10' length on each approach. Original fill will be used to rebuild the approaches once the soil dams are replaced. The boardwalk and overlook will match original specifications (i.e., 160 sf overlook and 30' of boardwalk). Further information regarding the project, as well as measures to be implemented to avoid impacts, may be obtained by contacting the project Environmental Coordinator listed below.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Angeles

EXEMPT STATUS:
☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
☐ Statutory Exemption (Section)
☒ Categorical Exemption
Class: 1 & 4 *Section(s):* 15301 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:
No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA §15300.2. If the project is implemented as indicated within the CDPR Project Evaluation Form including conditions provided by CDPR staff, then it is exempt under CEQA §15301 – Existing Facilities and §15304 – Minor Alterations to Land. The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt activities according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- Trail repairs (Class 1, Section 15301)
- Minor alterations in the condition of land. (Class 4, Section 15304)

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