



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: Summit Road Vegetation Management

LOCATION: Mount Diablo State Park

COUNTY: Contra Costa

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Clear vegetation from within up to 10 feet from each side of the Summit Road shoulders in Mount Diablo State Park to improve sight clearance for vehicles, improve fuel break function of Summit Road, and enhance the scenic vistas of Summit Road. Work will use hand or power tools to complete the following:

- Clear vegetation that encroaches into the roadway prism, thin remaining trees and shrubs, and prune retained vegetation to remove ladder fuels;
- Lop and scatter twigs and small-diameter material on site
- Remove and dispose of larger downed woody material using an air curtain burner, chipper, and/or pile burn; and
- Use mower to cut existing grasses to 4 inches high or less.

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 maintenance or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, or topographical features involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels and minor public 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 and is included as “resource management projects” in the Department of Parks and Recreation’s list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4

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