



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

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Notice of Exemption

Table with 2 columns: To (Office of Planning and Research) and From (California Department of Parks and Recreation)

Project Title: BLM Ridgecrest Field Office Restoration

Project Applicant: Bureau of Land Management (BLM) – Ridgecrest Field Office

Project Location – Specific: Red Mountain Sub-region, Jawbone-Butterbredt Area of Critical Environmental Concern, Rand Mountain Management Area, and wilderness areas

Project Location – City: Near Ridgecrest Project Location – County: Inyo, Kern, Mono, San Bernardino

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Project activities include active restoration (e.g., mulching, seeding, erosion control) on approximately 7-10 acres of closed trails and roads; installation of signage, fencing, and barriers; monitoring; public outreach; resource inventories; and restoration planning.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: CDPR, OHMVR Division

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: BLM – Ridgecrest Field Office

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
[X] Categorical Exemption (CE). Section 15301 Existing Facilities
Statutory Exemptions. State code number.
Activity not subject to CEQA review.

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is exempt because it falls within the CE classes listed above. Project activities described above do not have the potential for causing a significant adverse effect on the environment. A CEQA Exemption Review Form for the project is on file at the OHMVR Division office listed above. No exceptions to the exemption apply to this project.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Jon O'Brien, Environmental Program Mgr.

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Date: 2/28/2022

[X] Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR:

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