

State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: State Clearinghouse
Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
Central Valley District
22708 Broadway Street
Columbia, CA 95310

PROJECT TITLE: Historic Wells Fargo Building Repair Plaster and Paint

LOCATION: [Columbia State Historic Park](#)

COUNTY: Tuolumne

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Project will repair damaged plaster and repaint the entire interior of the Historic Wells Fargo Express building in Columbia State Historic Park to allow for continued interpretation of Wells Fargo's history in the park. Work will:

- Repair window casings and gouges in the walls, and seal and plaster over the stovepipe openings;
- Empty the rooms of their contents and mask off the floors and all woodwork trim for protection;
- To repair large holes in the ceilings:
 - Remove some of the existing damaged plaster and square up the edges;
 - Insert a shape-matched backing board and Hi Rib metal grip-lath to fill the opening; and
 - Apply a plaster scratch coat, followed by a brown coat, and then a finish coat that will be lightly sanded.
- To repair the walls:
 - Score and fill the large cracks with joint compound, covered with drywall tape and compound and sand; and
 - Use drywall tape and compound to repair hairline cracks in the walls;
- Clean the interior walls of any flaking paint and prime any raw plaster patches and filled cracks and then repaint in the exact same style and with the same colors currently on the walls; and
- Remove masking and re-install the contents of the room.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation
NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Central Valley District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption

Class: 1, 2, 3, 4 & 31

Section: 15301, 15302, 15303, 15304 & 15331

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the operation, repair, maintenance or minor alteration of existing public or private structures or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels; replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced; construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; the minor public or private alterations in the condition of land which do not involve the removal of healthy, mature scenic trees; and consists of projects limited to maintenance, repair, stabilization, rehabilitation, restoration, preservation, conservation, or reconstruction of historical resources, in a manner consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's

Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties, with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings (1995), Weeks and Grimmer.

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