

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:** Ayala Cove Boat Dock Replacement-Geotechnical Investigation

**LOCATION:** Angel Island SP

**COUNTY:** Marin

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Perform up to 3 exploratory borings within the proposed pier alignment using a barge-mounted drill rig equipped with mud rotary and rock coring drilling techniques. The borings will penetrate at least 15 feet into Franciscan bedrock. Boring depths are expected to be approximately 25-40 feet below the cove bottom and within 500 feet of shore. Drill fluids will be containerized and disposed of off-site. Upon completion, borings will be backfilled with neat cement grout in accordance with MCDEHS permit requirements.

The geotechnical work will occur during a construction window of June 15 to October 15, in accordance with USACOE's NWP 6 requirements. Native American and archeological monitoring will occur during the boring process and includes appropriate BMPs necessary to prevent spoils and drilling fluids from entering the bay.

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

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

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

Categorical Exemption      Class: 6      Section: 15306

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** The project consists of basic data collection and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource, included as "Soils and Structural engineering tests" in the Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR § 15300.4.

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