

CEQA # 13652
District Project # 2022-04



State of California – The Natural 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
Bay Area District
845 Casa Grande Road
Petaluma, CA 94954

PROJECT TITLE: Signage Update at Jack London State Historic Park

LOCATION: Jack London State Historic Park **COUNTY:** Sonoma

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: This project will replace, update, improve and/or standardize the design and aesthetic of the signage throughout in Jack London State Historic Park to improve interpretive and wayfinding experiences for visitors. The project will be split into three sections: front country, back country, and interpretive panels. The work will be as follows:

In the front country:

- Affix a new sign to the existing park entrance kiosk;
- Remove all existing signs and install one (1) new sign at each the lower parking lot at the museum path, the House of Happy Walls trailhead, Wolf House Service Road at the parking lot, upper parking lot at Beauty Ranch trailhead, upper parking lot at the horse stables, and Lake service Road at the Silos;
- Install an additional sign at the Wolf House Service Road parking lot identifying the maintenance access road;
- Remove the existing sign and install an updated informational sign at the Gravesite trail on Wolf House Service Road;
- Install additional signs at the Oak Grove Picnic Area, Eucalyptus Grove Picnic Area, Terrace Picnic Area, and Lake Service Road at the Silos; and
- Install additional directional signs at Lake Service Road at the Winery Ruins.

In the Back Country:

- Install informational signs along existing user created social trails and install addition multi-use trail right-of-way signs. All new trail signs will match the existing wooded signs with routed lettering painted yellow.

Add or update informational panels, as needed, at the following locations:

- Eucalyptus Management
- London Lake
- Home Orchard
- Ancient Redwood
- Orchard: Plums and History, Peaches, and Apples and Pears

This will also include the addition of a Land Acknowledgment sign. Panel support posts will be black metal set in concrete and will have either a single or double post, depending on size of panel.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Bay Area District


EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption *Class:* 1, 2, 3 & 4 *Section:* 15301, 15302, 15303 & 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; the 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, included as "Construction or installation of park facilities, such as interpretive signing or panels" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4, and; minor public or private alterations in the condition of land and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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