

CEQA # 13668
District Project # 2022-05



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: Angel Island State Park Invasive Tree Management and Fuel Reduction

LOCATION: Angel Island State Park

COUNTY: Marin County

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: The purpose of this project is to implement phased treatment of nonnative, invasive trees in the natural areas around campgrounds and historic landscapes of Angel Island State Park to reduce fuel loads, improve biodiversity, and protect native grassland and coastal plant communities.

Project efforts will occur in the South-West side, Eastside, and Northside Management Units (MU) in previously managed areas and new areas. Species targeted for removal include Monterey Pine, Acacia, Monterey Cypress, Eucalyptus, Mayten tree, and Tree Tobacco. Work will include manual/mechanical cutting of trees, with cut material piled for future burning, chipped, or incinerated in an air curtain burner or lopped and scattered depending on the area. Herbicide may be used to control some trees prone to resprout, including Acacias, Eucalyptus, Mayten tree, and Tree Tobacco and will be applied via spray bottle, backpack sprayer, paint brush, or injection device in a manner consistent with Integrated Pest Management policies and License Pest Control Advisor Recommendations encompassing all applicable laws and regulations.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation, Bay Area District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption

Class: 1 & 4

Section: 15301 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the operation, 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 or private alterations in the condition of land 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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