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District Project # 22/23-SD-02
ER # 13680

State of California – The 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
1416 Ninth Street
P.O. Box 942896
Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

PROJECT TITLE: Cannabis Campsite Restoration
LOCATION: Torrey Pines State Natural Reserve
COUNTY: San Diego

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: This project proposes to restore and enhance approximately one-half acre of land, including approximately 800 feet of unauthorized trails, within Torrey Pines State Natural Reserve. The site was home to a vagrant for several years who cleared significant areas of brush and modified the landscape. The disturbance caused by the land clearance and cannabis cultivation at this site has allowed for the establishment of large amounts of pampas grass and boobialla, invasive plants which thrive on disturbed landscapes. Landscape eucalyptus trees from adjacent properties have also expanded into the area and will also be removed. The project to remove invasives, restore native plants, and maintain habitat and erosion prevention will work in phases over a 3-year period.

Measures to be implemented to avoid impact may be obtained by submitting a request to the project Environmental Coordinator listed below.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: San Diego Coast District

EXEMPT STATUS:
☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
☐ Statutory Exemption (Section)
☒ Categorical Exemption
Class: 4 *Section:* 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: No potential for significant impact to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA §15300.4. If the project is implemented as indicated within the CDPR Project Evaluation Form, then it is exempt under CEQA §15304–Minor Alterations to Land. The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt activities according to CEQA §15300.4 as

Class 4: Section 15304:

- "Resource management projects"

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