



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  
PO Box 2006  
Eureka, CA 95502-2006

**PROJECT TITLE:** RNSP North Rock and Equipment Storage Yard

**LOCATION:** Jedediah Smith Redwoods State Park      **COUNTY:** Del Norte

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Project will create an area to receive and store rock for road work in Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park and Jedediah Smith Redwoods State Park as well as other large deliveries of items to reduce the number of times road maintenance materials need to be delivered, thereby reducing the costs and greenhouse gas emissions created by trucking materials. Work will:

- Use an excavator and a combination of mowing/brush-cutting to remove all existing vegetation in the project area and excavate approximately 6 to 24 inches deep to level and prepare the surface;
- Collect the removed vegetation into on-site piles and use it to mulch bare soils to prevent sediment from leaving the site;
- Excavate for two (2) 6-inch diameter by 30-foot-long culverts placed within the inboard ditch and cover with gravel to facilitate equipment ingress and egress;
- Use an excavator, grader, backhoe, bobcat and/or roller to spread ¾ -inch gravel throughout the entire site and compact;
- Conduct efforts to repopulate Harlequin lotus along the eastern edge of the project area; and
- Once in operation, inspect the storage yard and gravel piles once a year for invasive plant species and treat yearly to prevent the spread of invasive seed or plant species.

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

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** North Coast Redwoods District

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

Categorical Exemption

*Class:* 1, 3 & 4      *Section:* 15301 & 15303 & 15304

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** The project consists of the repair, maintenance, and minor alteration of existing public or private structures or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels; construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; and the minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water and/or vegetation which do not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes.

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