



State of California – The Resources Agency  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:** Office of Planning and Research  
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**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
Angeles District  
1925 Las Virgenes Road  
Calabasas, CA 91302-1909

**PROJECT TITLE:** Hetzler Road Drainage Improvements

**LOCATION:** Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area – Baldwin Hills Scenic Overlook

**COUNTY:** Los Angeles

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:**

The project proposes removal of an existing berm along the outside edge of Hetzler Road to create an outslope of 2%-5% where feasible along approximately 1000 feet of roadway from the upper parking lot. This outslowing will allow for more natural sheet drainage into heavily vegetated slope below the road and will prevent erosion. Additionally, a small depression will be created to act as a bioswale and capture stormwater runoff. Once berm removal and final grading are complete, bare soils will be replanted with native vegetation and /or capped and armored with all-natural road base. Further information regarding the project, as well as measures to be implemented to avoid impacts, may be obtained by contacting 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:** Angeles

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- Statutory Exemption (Section )
- Categorical Exemption *Class: 1 Section(s): 15301 – Existing Facilities*  
*Class: 4 Section(s): 15304 – Minor Alterations in Land*

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:**

No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA §15300.2. If the project is implemented as indicated within the CDPR Project Evaluation Form, including conditions provided by CDPR staff, it is exempt under the Departmental List of Exempt Activities established under the authority of CEQA §15300.4 as:

- Class: 1 Section(s): 15301 – Existing Facilities (Trail or road repairs)*
- Class: 4 Section(s): 15304 – Minor Alterations in Land (Resource management projects)*

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