



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

CEQA # 13793

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:** Office of Planning and Research  
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**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
Monterey District  
2211 Garden Road  
Monterey, CA 93940

**PROJECT TITLE:** Snowy Plover Signs

**LOCATION:** Fort Ord Dunes State Park, Marina State Beach and Salinas River State Beach

**COUNTY:** Monterey

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** The purpose of this project is to install snowy plover interpretive signs in Fort Ord Dunes State Park, Marina State Beach, and Salinas River State Beach to help educate visitors about how snowy plovers use the beach and how visitors can help protect them. Signs will be placed at each of the following locations: the northern beach access trail at Fort Ord Dunes State Park, at the trailhead of the Lake Court beach access trail at Marina State Beach and at the trailhead of the Potrero parking lot beach access trail at Salinas River State Beach. For three (3) of the signs work will:

- Level a 60-inch by 60-inch area to provide space for viewing the panel;
- Excavate two (2) 24- to 36-inch-deep holes (per each sign location);
- Place one (1) 57-inch long 4x4 wood post in each hole and backfill with excavated soil; and
- Attach a 30-inch wide by 24-inch-high, low profile, panel to the posts.

An additional sign will be installed in a vertical interpretive shelter at the trailhead at Fort Ord Dunes State Park to provide information to visitors who may not be able to reach the sign installed at the northern beach access trail.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT:** California Department of Parks and Recreation  
**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** Monterey District

**EXEMPT STATUS:**  Categorical Exemption

*Class:* 1, 3 & 4

*Section:* 15331, 15333 & 15334

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of the operation, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels; construction and location of a limited number of new small facilities or structures included as "Construction or installation of parks 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, water which do not involve removal of healthy mature, scenic trees.

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