## State of California Department of Parks and Recreation

## **NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

**TO:** Office of Planning and Research **FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation

1400 Tenth Street 12301 North Hwy 1 Sacramento, CA 95814 Mendocino, CA 95460

**PROJECT TITLE:** Weger Ranch Acquisition

**LOCATION:** Montgomery Woods State Park **COUNTY:** Mendocino

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

For Acquisition via a direct deed of 80-acre of an undeveloped 100-acre parcel, APN 150-110-05, to be included into Montgomery Woods State Park. The property consists of a large rock outcropping that is partially covered with vegetation consisting of coniferous and hardwood trees with an understory of brush and shrubs that are typical of the North Coast. The property also contains a ~15-acre stand of old growth Douglas fir and potential peregrine nesting habitat. Acquisition of the park will support publicly owned land that safeguard coastal redwoods, wildlife habitat, cultural and natural resources, and provide recreational opportunities for the park.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Sonoma Mendocino Coast District

**EXEMPT STATUS:** 

X Categorical Exemption Class: 16 Sections: 15316

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of the acquisition, sale, or other transfer of land in order to establish a park.

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