

# Notice of Exemption

## Appendix E

**To:** Office of Planning and Research  
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County Clerk

County of: Contra Costa

555 Escobar Street

Martinez, CA 94553

**From:** (Public Agency): East Bay Regional Park District  
2950 Peralta Oaks Court  
Oakland, CA 94605

(Address)

Project Title: Lafayette Ridge Staging Area ADA Improvements

Project Applicant: East Bay Regional Park District

Project Location - Specific:

Lafayette Ridge Staging Area (Assessor's Parcel Number 232-160-010)

Project Location - City: Lafayette Project Location - County: Contra Costa

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The East Bay Regional Park District proposes the Lafayette Ridge Staging Area Americans with Disabilities Act Improvements Project to improve recreational facilities at Briones Regional Park.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: East Bay Regional Park District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: East Bay Regional Park District

Exempt Status: **(check one):**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15201 & 15302
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project entails repairs and upgrades to the Lafayette Ridge Staging Area and would replace existing facilities in the same location with the same purpose and capacity. No expansion of existing uses would occur.

Lead Agency  
Contact Person: Brian Holt Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 510.544.2623

**If filed by applicant:**

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? ■ Yes No

Signature:  Date: Mar 15, 2023 Title: Chief of Planning, Trails, & GIS

■ Signed by Lead Agency    Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.  
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_

March 8, 2023

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**Lead Agency / Applicant:** East Bay Regional Parks District  
Attn: Brian Holt  
2950 Peralta Oaks Court  
Oakland, CA 94610

**Project Location:** Lafayette Ridge Staging Area (Assessor's Parcel Number 232-160-010), located on the west side of Pleasant Hill Road south of Springhill Elementary School in the City of Lafayette, Contra Costa County.

**Project Description:** The East Bay Regional Park District (District) proposes the Lafayette Ridge Staging Area Americans with Disabilities Act Improvements Project (project) to improve recreational facilities at Briones Regional Park. The Lafayette Ridge Staging Area currently contains approximately 30 parking stalls and a chemical toilet.

The project consists of the following activities:

- Improve existing parking stalls to comply with the (Americans with Disabilities Act) ADA design requirements.
- Replace the existing chemical toilet with a plumbed, prefabricated, ADA-accessible restroom located at the southwestern corner of the existing parking lot. Trenching through the Lafayette Ridge Staging Area may be required to intertie with existing utilities.
- Develop an ADA-compliant path of travel connecting the ADA stalls to the new restroom.
- Install bike racks, a maintenance gate, water fountain and other minor site amenities.
- Pave the Lafayette Ridge Staging Area parking lot.

**Determination:** The District reviewed the project and determined it to be exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements under Article 19, Categorical Exemptions, of the State CEQA Guidelines in the California Administrative Code:

**Section 15201 – Existing Facilities.** Class I Categorical Exemption for repair and minor alteration of existing public or private structures or facilities or topographical features. The project entails repairs and upgrades to the Lafayette Ridge Staging Area. No expansion of existing uses would occur.

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**Section 15302 – Replacement or Reconstruction.** Class 2 Categorical Exemption for replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities. The project would provide improvements to an existing staging area and would replace existing facilities in the same location with the same purpose and capacity.



Mar 15, 2023

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Brian Holt

Date

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