



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

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Storm Damage Repairs Hot Springs Fire Road 2023

LOCATION: Hot Springs Fire Road, Gaviota State Park **COUNTY:** Santa Barbara

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Repair broken waterline and damaged fire road caused by January storms. Repair waterline, culverts, and road tread. This waterline is the only source of potable water for Gaviota State Park campground, public beach access day use area, Hwy 101 Caltrans rest area and several residences. Major public safety concern, loss of public utility.

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

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

EXEMPT STATUS:

- X Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- X Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- Statutory Exemption (Section)
- Categorical Exemption

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

CEQA §15269(a) Projects to maintain, repair, restore, demolish, or replace property or facilities damaged or destroyed as a result of a disaster in a disaster stricken area in which a state of emergency has been proclaimed by the Governor pursuant to the California Emergency Services Act, commencing with Section 8550 of the Government Code.

CEQA §15269(b) Emergency repairs to publicly or privately owned service facilities necessary to maintain service essential to the public health, safety or welfare. Emergency repairs include those that require a reasonable amount of planning to address an anticipated emergency.

The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt activities according to CEQA § 15300.4 as defined in the Department of Operations Manual, Chapter 0600 as:

- 0606.5.1.2 “Emergency Exemption”

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