



**State of California – The Natural Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

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PROJECT TITLE: El Matador Beach Parking and Site Improvements

LOCATION: Robert H. Meyer Memorial State Beach

COUNTY: Los Angeles

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Due to an increase in visitation as well as inadequate safe parking for visitors to recreate at El Matador Beach, within Robert H. Meyer Memorial State Beach, CDPR is proposing improvements to the pocket beach including expanding the amount of parking spaces by redesigning the parking lot. The parking lot redesign would convey stormwater off site in order to minimize the erosion of trails and other areas prone to erosion damage within the park. In addition, electric vehicle charging stations will be installed, concrete sidewalks, picnic/gathering areas, vault restrooms, trail and stair repairs and other minor site improvements.

Further detail regarding the work proposed as well as measures to be implemented to avoid impact to the environment may be obtained by submitting a request to 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: Southern Service Center

EXEMPT STATUS:

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

Section: 15301 – Existing Facilities
15303 – Construction of restrooms, small parking lots,
15304 – Minor Alterations to Land

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: No potential for significant impact to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA §15300.2. If the project is implemented as indicated within the CDPR Project Evaluation Form, then it is exempt under the Departmental List of Exempt Activities according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- Utility repairs or minor upgrades (§15301)
- Construction or installation of park facilities such as restrooms, small parking lots (§15303)
- Resource management projects (§15304)

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