



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
Santa Cruz District
303 Big Trees Park Road
Felton, CA 95018

PROJECT TITLE: Road Construction and Right of Way Permit

LOCATION: Wilder Ranch State Park

COUNTY: Santa Cruz

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Grant a Right of Way (ROW) to allow for the construction of a roadway between Empire Grade, through Wilder Ranch State Park, to a neighboring private property, to provide access for fuel reduction operations on the private property.

All work conducted in association with the ROW permit will comply with all State and Federal environmental laws, including but not limited to the Endangered Species Act, California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and Section 5024 of the Public Resources Code.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Santa Cruz District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption

Class: 1, 3 & 4

Section: 15301, 15303 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the maintenance or minor alteration of existing public or private structures or facilities involving no expansion of use beyond current levels; the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures, included as "fencing and gates" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4; and the minor public or private alterations in the condition of land and/or vegetation which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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