

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

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
Sierra District
P.O. Box 266
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PROJECT TITLE: Install Historic Mining Complex Interpretive Panel

LOCATION: Plumas-Eureka State Park

COUNTY: Plumas

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Install an interpretive panel at the Mining Complex Loop Trail at Plumas-Eureka State Park to inform visitors of historic mining operations during the California gold rush-era. This panel will provide location, direction, and understanding of cultural resources to park visitors. Work will:

- To the left of the Mining Complex Loop Trail, remove an existing parking bollard and backfill the hole with native material;
- Remove rocks along the left trail edge and use hand tools to excavate two (2) 8-in. diameter post holes;
- Insert two (2) 3-ft x 2-in. metal posts and pour concrete to secure;
- Install two (2) hollow aluminum pedestals over the posts with each post exposed 1 ft from ground level and use pin-lock system to secure;
- Attach a 32-in. x 40-in. panel (32 inches above ground height) to the metal pedestals; and
- Expand ADA parking area 5 ft. to left, to accommodate panel placement.

During winter, park staff will remove the panel and pedestals and protect exposed posts with orange cones, or a custom box, to protect snowplow machinery. Other possible solutions include installation of custom recessed post supports that will not extend above ground level when panel is removed.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Sierra District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption

Class: 1, 3 & 4

Section: 15301, 15303 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the operation, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels; construction and location of limited numbers of new small structures and minor public alterations in the condition of land which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry purposes; included as "interpretive panels and signs" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCRS 15300.4.

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