



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

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

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

**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
750 Hearst Castle Rd  
San Simeon, CA 93452

**PROJECT TITLE: Emergency Sewer Line Replacement**

**LOCATION:** Hearst San Simeon State Park

**COUNTY:** San Luis Obispo

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Under an emergency contract, the project will repair and replace the failed sewer mainline below the Hearst Castle Visitor Center between the lift station at Highway 1 and the 4th manhole north of gate 1. Work will:

- Set up a staging area north of gate 1 and establish a traffic control plan by contractor;
- Saw-cut the asphalt for the existing section of trench within Hearst Castle Road;
- Place a vacuum truck upstream to capture sewage during demolition and tie-in connections;
- Use an excavator to remove approximately 900 linear feet of failed, sewer pipeline in the existing trench, excavate the trench, and compact the soil to receive the new pipe;
- Remove old concrete from the manholes;
- Replace the damaged pipeline with approximately 900 feet of 6-inch diameter C-900 PVC blue sewer pipe between the first 4 manholes;
- Tie-in and grout new pipe to each manhole;
- Backfill the trench, compact the soil, and restore the surface to match surrounding native soils;
- Patch the saw-cuts in Hearst Castle Road to match the existing asphalt surface.

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

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** San Luis Obispo Coast

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

Categorical Exemption

*Classes:* 1 & 4

*Sections:* 15301 & 15304

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of the operation or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities or topographical features involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels; the minor public or private alterations in the condition of land and/or vegetation which do not include the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees, and is included as "utility repairs" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4.

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