## State of California 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

7806 Folsom-Auburn Road

Folsom, CA 95630

**PROJECT TITLE:** Zone 3 West Erosion Control Project

**LOCATION:** Prairie City State Vehicular Recreation Area **COUNTY:** Sacramento

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT**: The purpose of this project is to restore native vegetation cover to approx. 2.23 acres of barren land and improve the Red Tail and Cougar trails in the southwestern portion of Zone 3 within Prairie City State Vehicular Recreational Area in an effort to reduce soil erosion from wind, water and visitor use. Work will:

For the Red Tail and Cougar Trail Improvements:

- Outslope and regrade the trails to allow for better sheet flow during storm events:
- If needed, recapture soil from sediment basins to achieve desired surface inclines; and
- Install rolling dips and build both trails out to a 16-ft width.

## For revegetation work:

- Rip the existing soil and recontour the site;
- Use sediment basin soil and amendments to supplement the existing soil; and
- Hydroseed with a mix of growth medium and California native seed.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Gold Fields District

## **EXEMPT STATUS:**

☐ Categorical Exemption Class: 1, 4 Section: 15301, 15304

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

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