

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
Diablo Range District
15751 Tesla Road
Livermore, CA 94550

PROJECT TITLE: Mitchell Canyon Shed Removal

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Project will remove an abandoned and dilapidated shed and associated non-functioning water pumping equipment from the Mitchell Canyon day use parking lot at Mount Diablo State Park to improve visitor safety and prevent further vandalism. Work will:

- Use hand tools to disassemble the 9-feet 6-in. x 8-feet 9-in. wood-framed shed;
- Trim ladder fuel vegetation smaller than 6-inch diameter to create a travel pathway from the Mitchell Canyon storage gravel pile to the shed location;
- Use a motorized cart to transport gravel from the storage pile to fill a disused water vault;
- Remove all pumping equipment, cords, utilities boxes and valves;
- Cut all above-ground pipes flush with concrete slab foundation and either cap or fill with epoxy or foam plug;
- Excavate any pipes extending into the ground to a maximum depth of 18-inches, then cut and either cap or backfill fill with excavated soil; and
- Transport removed materials to appropriate disposal facilities.

If dewatering is necessary, Project Manager will coordinate with Environmental Scientist to ensure BMPs in place to prevent discharge into surface waters.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Diablo Range District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption Class: 4 Section: 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the maintenance or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, or topographical features involving negligible or no expansion of useand beyond current levels and minor public or private alterations in the condition of land and vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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