



### NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:** Office of Planning and Research  
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**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
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**PROJECT TITLE:** Bill Wallace Trail Maintenance

**LOCATION:** El Capitan SB

**COUNTY:** Santa Barbara

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:**

Grade trail back to specification at trailhead and remediate large, eroded rut in middle of the trail. Work is for approximately 330 linear feet starting at the trailhead parking area. Additionally, add road base to parking lot to remediate grade difference between paved road and parking area and deflect surface water flow from eroding lot.

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

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** Channel Coast District

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

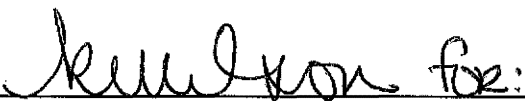
- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- Statutory Exemption (Section )
- Categorical Exemption  
Class: 1, 4                      Section: 15301, 15304

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:**

- **Class 1, Section 15301 - Existing Facilities**  
Encompasses the routine operation, repair, and maintenance of structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, and topography, with no significant change in capacity or use. Road sealing / repairs of existing surface. Trail maintenance within existing footprint, with work completed outside periods identified to protect sensitive species or habitat. Must be done outside of bird nesting (March 15 – Sept 15) or monitored by Department staff or qualified contract personnel.
- **Class 4, Section 15304 - Minor Alteration to Land**  
Consists of minor alternations in the condition of land water, and or vegetation that do not include healthy, mature or scenic trees except for forestry purposes.

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