

State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: State Clearinghouse
Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street, Room 222
Sacramento, CA 95814-3044

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
Central Valley District
22708 Broadway Street
Columbia, CA 95310

PROJECT TITLE: Maintenance Yard Natural Resources Parking Lot

LOCATION: Columbia State Historic Park

COUNTY: Tuolumne

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: The project proposes to clean up and improve the maintenance yard in Columbia State Historic Park to provide an improved storage and staging area for both the vehicles utilized by the natural resources as well as heavy equipment. Work will:

- Cut down one (1) hazardous Black Walnut and one (1) rotting Oak tree, removing the stumps and associated debris;
- Use a backhoe or skid steer to excavate the top 2-3-inches of soil from the current approx. 45-ft x 90-ft parking area to grade;
- Place 60 cubic yards of road base across the excavated area; and
- Run a hand compactor across the area to create a level surface.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Central Valley 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 or facilities 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.

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