



**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
Diablo Range District
15751 Tesla Road
Livermore, CA 94550

PROJECT TITLE: Flagpole Replacement

LOCATION: Benicia Capitol State Historic Park

COUNTY: Solano

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: The purpose of this project is to replace the flagpole at the Benicia Capitol State Historic Park that was destroyed by a tree fall in 2019. A commercial-grade, aluminum flagpole will replace the previous wooden flagpole within the same footprint. Work will:

- Remove the existing brick paving from the area of the existing flagpole, marking and photographing the bricks prior to removal to ensure replacement in the same location;
- Excavate to remove the existing concrete and steel support used for the damaged flagpole and depending on condition, recycle or dispose of non-historical used materials and stockpile the removed soil for reuse;
- Excavate a 30-inch diameter by no more than 3-foot 6-inch deep hole;
- Install a 30-foot tall, white powder-coated, commercial grade aluminum flagpole; and
- Backfill around the pole with stockpiled soils to secure and reinstall the removed brick.

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

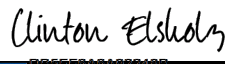
Class: 1, 2 & 4

Section: 15301, 15302 & 4

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 replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced; and minor public or private alterations on the condition of land, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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