



**State of California – The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: Shell Reef CXT Replacement

LOCATION: Ocotillo Wells SVRA

COUNTY: Imperial

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: This project will replace the current double CXT unit on Shell Reef, which was damaged in a vehicle collision. The contractor will demolish the top portion of the restroom in place by jackhammering it with heavy equipment. Around the existing vault, excavation will occur on approximately 4ft around three sides of the unit to remove it. On the fourth side, there is an accessible concrete parking pad, which will be cut and remain in place. An area of approximately 9ft wide by 10ft long by 5.5ft deep will be excavated to remove the vault. Demolished and excavated materials will be hauled away in a dump truck and properly disposed of. A replacement CXT, which is the same size, will be transported to the location by crane and set in place over the existing footprint. District standard project requirements, which are attached, are to be incorporated into project implementation.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Ocotillo Wells District

EXEMPT STATUS:

- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- Statutory Exemption (Section)
- Categorical Exemption
Class: 2 Section: 15302

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The proposed action complies with CEQA because it is: (1) categorically exempt under Class 2, Section 15302 of the CEQA Guidelines, Replacement or Reconstruction, as it involves the replacement of a facility in the same location without expansion in purpose or capacity; and (2) there are no unusual circumstances or other applicable exceptions to the exemptions.

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