

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): California Conservation Corps
1719 24th Street
Sacramento, CA 95816

County Clerk

County of: _____

(Address)

Project Title: Willow Springs Restoration

Project Applicant: Conservation Corps of Long Beach

Project Location - Specific:

Willow Springs Park - 2745 Orange Ave, Long Beach, CA 90806

Project Location - City: Long Beach

Project Location - County: Los Angeles

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The proposed project will take place at Willow Springs Park in the City of Long Beach. The project entails a multi-step restoration process covering up to 32 acres of unrestored park area. The Proposition 68 objectives will be met by enhancing drought tolerance, landscape resilience, and water retention. The scope of work within the restoration project includes removal of invasive plants, spreading of thick wood chip mulch to discourage and minimize invasive plant regrowth and help improve soil conditions, and selective native species planting and ongoing watering and maintenance to help with establishment. Approximately 850 feet of irrigation line (flexible Polyethylene line that can be removed and relocated) would be extended to provide water to newly planted areas for plant establishment. Approximately 700 feet of trail enhancements would occur along the route of former dirt road. All restoration work would be completed by hand tools.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Conservation Corps

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Conservation Corps of Long Beach

Exempt Status: **(check one):**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15301, 15304
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project consists of the maintenance and minor alteration of existing landscaping and topographical features within an existing park involving negligible or no expansion of the existing park use. The site enhancements and new landscaping, including the replacement of existing conventional landscaping with water efficient and native landscaping, would be completed by hand.

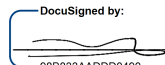
Lead Agency

Contact Person: Jeffrey Schwarzschild

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If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature:  _____ Date: 1/27/2025 Title: Lead Counsel

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____