



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: Bethany Reservoir SRA Habitat Restoration

LOCATION: Bethany Reservoir State Recreation Area

COUNTY: Alameda

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: The purpose of this project is to install approximately 2,000 linear feet of new peeler core fencing over approximately 5 acres of Bethany Reservoir SRA to reduce illegal off road driving and protect new native plantings and pollinator garden. Work will:

Use hand tools and hand pulling to remove invasive vegetation, including eucalyptus trees, along the fishing pier access road, to prepare the areas where the new fencing and native plants will be installed;

Use a skid-steer to reestablish grade of hillside and secure with straw wattles and hydroseed if necessary to prevent erosion;

Use a gas-powered auger to excavate a 10-in. wide by 3-ft deep post hole every 8-feet for a 2,000-ft alignment, including pedestrian access breaks;

Install one (1) peeler core post into each hole and backfill with excavated soils to secure;

Use heavy equipment to establish an approx. 500-ft long, decomposed granite, ADA walking path encircling new native pollinator plants; and

Spread all resultant excess excavated material on site.

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 & 3 *Section:* 15301 & 15303

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the maintenance or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities or topographical features involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels; construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures and is included as "Construction or installation of park facilities, such as fencing and gates" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR § 15300.4.

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