



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

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
Gold Fields District
7806 Folsom-Auburn Road
Folsom, CA 95630

PROJECT TITLE: Goose Pond Culvert Project

LOCATION: Prairie City State Vehicular Recreation Area **COUNTY:** Sacramento

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: This project is for the replacement and installation of culverts, reroute of Bobcat trail, recontouring and improving drainage for the pond, and raising the park road within Prairie City State Vehicular Recreation Area to prevent or reduce ponding and flooding of the park road. Work will use heavy equipment and hand tools to complete the following work:

- Remove existing fencing between goose pond and the park road;
- Replace existing culvert under park road with up to two (2), 2-foot wide by 40-foot long arch culverts;
- Grade the area between the culvert and goose pond with an up to 3-foot swale with a 7-foot wide bottom, with gradually sloped sides up to 20-foot wide at surface grade;
- Add 10 linear feet of riprap in the swale;
- Install one (1) new 2-foot wide by 30-foot long culverts;
- Add up to 180 linear feet of riprap upstream from the swale;
- Install up to six (6) metal aprons at the inlets and outlets of each culvert;
- Add riprap to armor the base of the culverts;
- Reroute a portion of bobcat trail;
- Outslope or crown modified routes to shed water ;
- Use native material from onsite to raise a portion of the park road by 4-inches;
- Install post and wire fencing around goose pond; and
- Install new peeler core fencing around the culvert inlets and outlets, excavating a one (1) foot wide by three (3) foot deep hole for each peeler core post.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Gold Fields 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, facilities, or topographical features, 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 and is included as "Trail or road repairs" and "Resource management projects" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR §15300.4.

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