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

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Exotic Plant Removal

LOCATION: Trinidad State Beach

COUNTY: Humboldt

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Remove exotic English ivy, *Cotoneaster* sp., *Pittisporum* sp., English holly, Spanish heath/heather, and Scotchbroom on approximately 29 acres in Trinidad State Beach to restore the native forest understory and coastal scrub community.

Work will:

- Excavate up to 24 inches to remove exotic plants with loppers and rakes.
- Use chainsaws to fell some of the larger English holly, *Cotoneaster*, and *Pittisporum* in the project area.
- Pile and transport vegetation to an appropriate dumping area to be composted or burned. Removed vegetation could be placed in inconspicuous areas to decompose naturally.
- Exotic shrubs and trees will only be removed between August 1 and April 30.

DPR-approved standard project requirements have been incorporated into the Exotic Plant Removal. A list of project-specific project requirements can be viewed by contacting the environmental coordinator listed below.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: North Coast Redwoods District

EXEMPT STATUS:

☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
☐ Statutory Exemption (Section)
☒ Categorical Exemption

Class: 4 *Section:* *15304*

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of minor alterations in the condition of land and vegetation that do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees; included as "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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