

State of California
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 Vista District
845 Casa Grande Road
Petaluma, CA 94954

PROJECT TITLE: Hazard Tree Removal

LOCATION: Jack London State Historic Park

COUNTY: Sonoma

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Remove a weakened, decaying historic coast live oak in front of the Jack London cottage at Jack London State Historic Park to prevent damage to the cottage and injury to staff and visitors from falling tree limbs. Work will remove selected limbs from the east side of the tree to balance the canopy and increase safety; remove all but the stump of the tree after bird nesting season (August 30) if possible; if removal must occur during the nesting season and a nest is present, removal will occur after young have fledged; replace the tree with acorns, a cutting or a sapling harvested from beneath or within the tree from the existing tree.

DPR-approved standard project requirements have been incorporated into the Hazard Tree Removal project. 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: Diablo Vista

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption Class: 1, 4 Section: 15301, 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of the maintenance and minor alteration of existing public facilities involving no expansion of use beyond current levels and minor public alterations in the condition of land, which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and is 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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