CEQA # 10442

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

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: Hospital Chimney Reconstruction

LOCATION: Fort Humboldt State Historic Park

COUNTY: Humboldt

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Demolish and reconstruct the two earthquake-damaged chimneys of the historic hospital building at Fort Humboldt State Historic Park to stabilize and rehabilitate the building and improve visitors' experience of the park.

Work will:

- Document the chimneys, inspect the fireboxes and flues, repair or replace bricks and mortar in kind, demolish remnants of the old chimneys, and reconstruct the chimneys to current fire code. The exposed section of chimneys above the roofline will be clad in brick veneer that replicates the historic brick pattern.
- Repair and replace: damaged portions of the roof, museum ceiling, damaged walls, and museum exhibits.

If bats are detected during work, operations will be stopped until the site can be evaluated by an Environmental Scientist.

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: 31 *Section: 15331*

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of maintenance, repair, stabilization, rehabilitation, restoration, preservation, conservation, or reconstruction of historical resources, in a manner consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings (1995), Weeks and Grimmer.

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