



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

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Durphy Creek Trail

LOCATION: Richardson Grove State Park

COUNTY: Humboldt

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Replace, in their same locations, two foot bridges on the Durphy Creek Trail in Richardson Grove State Park to improve visitor safety and enhance enjoyment of the trail. Work will:

- Remove the old foot bridges. After removal of galvanized fasteners, non-treated wood products will be stored on site, packed out, or burned on site.
- Excavate the fill materials placed around the mudsills when the bridges were originally constructed, and replace the materials after reconstruction is complete.
- Reconstruct mudsills: pour concrete in place and reinforce with pipe or re-bar.
- Install pre-fabricated weathering steel stringers in place with standard high-lead rigging techniques.
- Reconstruct redwood decking and railings.

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:

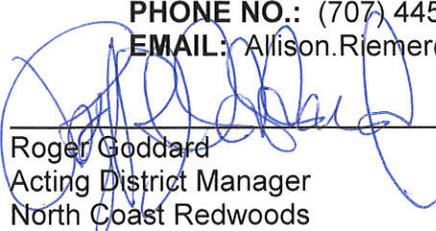
Categorical Exemption

Class: 1, 2, 3, 4 Section: 15301, 15302, 15303, 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels, replacement or reconstruction of existing structures where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced, construction and location of limited numbers of new structures, and minor alterations in the condition of land, and/or vegetation which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees, and is included as "trail or road repairs" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR § 15300.4.

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