

State of California  
Department of Parks and Recreation

CEQA # 10887

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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TO: Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation  
Santa Cruz District  
303 Big Tree Park Road  
Felton, CA 95018

PROJECT TITLE: Issue Easement(s) to County of Santa Cruz

COUNTY: Santa Cruz

PARK UNIT: Twin Lakes State Beach

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Issue an easement to Santa Cruz County to five hundred (500) linear feet of beachfront property at Twin Lakes State Beach to make public improvements to enhance usability, access and safety.

All work conducted within the boundaries of the easement, including routine maintenance, will comply with all State and Federal environmental laws, including but not limited to the Endangered Species Act, CEQA, and Section 5024 of the Public Resources Code. All ground-disturbing work on State Park property will be monitored by an archaeologist meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Qualification Standards for historic and prehistoric archaeology. If potentially significant resources are unearthed, work in the immediate area of the find will be temporarily halted or diverted until the site monitor consults with a DPR archaeologist, and identification and proper treatment are determined and implemented. County of Santa Cruz will be responsible for providing all qualified monitors. All finds will become the property of DPR; ownership of any Native American artifacts will be determined on a case-by-case basis, in consultation with the appropriate tribal representative(s) and/or the Native American Heritage Commission. Archaeological consultants working within the boundaries of the easement or on adjoining State Park property will obtain a permit from the DPR Cultural Resource Division prior to commencing any investigations on the property.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Santa Cruz District

EXEMPT STATUS:

X Categorical Exemption Class: 5 Section: 15305

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of minor alterations in land use limitation that will not result in any changes in land use or density, included under "issuance of easements and right-of-way" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR Section 15300.4

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