



**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: Bear Harbor Road Reroute

LOCATION: Sinkyone Wilderness State Park

COUNTY: Mendocino

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Reroute a failed 290-foot section of Bear Harbor Road 30 feet inboard from the coastal bluff in Sinkyone Wilderness State Park to re-allow access between Needle Rock Visitor Center and trail camps to the south. Work will:

- Remove 48 trees, mostly small Douglas fir, all measuring from 2-18 inches in diameter at breast height.
- Leave a narrow buffer of trees below the new road prism for visual effects.
- Remove approximately 6 *Calamagrostis nutkaensis* plants; transplant to the section of road that will be removed.
- Excavate 10-15 feet along the through cut.
- Construct a 15-foot wide road bench with an 850b dozer and an 80 excavator, compact soil with vibratory roller or dozer, finish with a motor grader and a vibratory roller.
- Use excess fill on site to adjust grade from the existing road to the reroute section and to outslope existing road bench for drainage.
- Install a drain swale
- Construct a rock headwall on an existing 36" culvert inlet to ensure no fill is transported to culvert head.
- Replace a failed 48" metal road culvert with a 72" metal road culvert. Construct a headwall with stacked and pinned Sakrete® Concrete Mix around the inlet. Face the downstream side of the crossing with ¼-ton to ½-ton rock.
- Mulch disturbed soil with brush removed from fill slope.

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

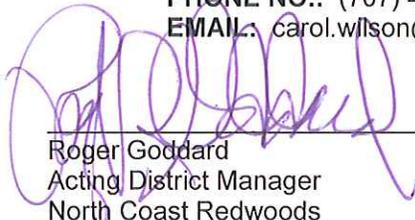
Class: 1, 4

Section: 15301, 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Consists of repair and minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible expansion of use beyond current levels and minor public alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation, which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry and agricultural purposes included as "trail or road repairs" and "trail construction or realignment" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR § 15300.4.

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