

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
Central Valley District
22708 Broadway Street
Columbia, CA 95310

PROJECT TITLE: Issue Right of Entry Permit and Permanent Easement to Calaveras Co. Water District
LOCATION: Calaveras Big Trees State Park COUNTY: Calaveras

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Issue a Right of Entry Permit to Calaveras County Water District to enter upon land on the east side of Highway 4 in Calaveras Big Trees State Parks for geotechnical investigation of soil conditions prior to commencement of work, and to commence work to replace the existing 60,000 gallon redwood water tank. ROE permit will begin March 1, 2015 and terminate once a permanent easement is recorded with the County Recorder's Office.

Issue a permanent utility easement to the Calaveras County Water District for the purpose of construction; reconstruction; operation; and maintenance of a 150,000 gallon steel water tank and appurtenant facilities. The easement will be approximately 0.57 acres.

All work conducted in association with the Right of Entry will comply with all State and Federal environmental laws, including but not limited to the Endangered Species Act, California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and Section 5024 of the Public Resources Code.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Central Valley District

EXEMPT STATUS:

- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- Statutory Exemption (Section:)
- Categorical Exemption

Class: 5, Section: 15305

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of minor alterations in land use limitations in areas with an average slope of less than 20% that does not result in any changes in land use or density and is included as "issuance of rights-of-way" and "issuance of permits" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4

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