

State of California – The Natural Resource Agency
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
PO Box 2006
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PROJECT TITLE: Kiosk Removal

LOCATION: Jedediah Smith Redwoods State Park

COUNTY: Del Norte

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Remove the park entrance kiosk at Jedediah Smith Redwoods State Parks to alleviate the possibility of damage from a hazardous old-growth Douglas fir. State Parks completed endangered species consultation with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and technical assistance with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, during which this tree was identified as having excellent characteristics of nesting habitat for marbled murrelet, a federally threatened, state endangered species. In order to save this habitat and ensure human safety, the target of the hazard tree will be removed. Work will;

- Relocate the lighting fixtures and electrical utilities to the existing ranger station.
- Use hand tools and heavy equipment to demolish the existing 7' x 16' kiosk structure by;
- Use hand tools and heavy equipment to remove the existing 6-inch thick 9' x 18' concrete slab footing;
- Dispose of debris at an approved site.
- Rehabilitate the disturbed area with native vegetation.

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

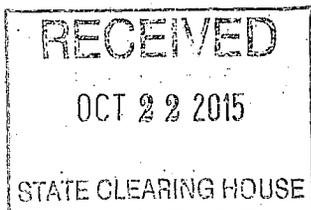
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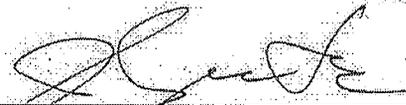
Section: 15304 and 15307

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of minor public alterations in the condition of land which do not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and; actions taken by regulatory agencies as authorized by state law to assure the maintenance, restoration, or enhancement of a natural resource where the regulatory process involves procedures for protection of the environment, in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR § 15300.4

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