

**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
One Capitol Mall, Suite 410
Sacramento, CA 95814

PROJECT TITLE: Madora Lake Trail Accessibility Improvements

LOCATION: Plumas-Eureka State Park

COUNTY: Plumas

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Make improvements to the existing Madora Lake Trail in Plumas-Eureka State Park to bring the trail into compliance with the California State Parks accessibility guidelines and associated legal mandates. Work will:

- Reroute a 113' long x 4' wide section of existing trail to move it away from the creek edge. Surface the new route with an aggregate/soil mix to meet accessibility guidelines;
- Excavate 1' wide by 1' deep trenches totaling approx. 399' to construct multi-tier, dry-stack, rock retaining walls along the trail. Walls will be approx. 1' wide by 1.5' to 3.5' tall;
- Excavate 1' wide by 6" deep trenches totaling approx. 6513' to construct single-tier, dry-stack, rock retaining walls along the trail. Walls will be approx. 1' wide by 1' to 1.5' tall;
- Excavate a 1' wide by 6" deep by 1155' long trench to construct a single tiered, double sided, rock wall approx. 12"-18" tall to assist in keeping the trail dry in poor drainage locations and prevent sediment transport caused by poor drainage and visitor use;
- Construct drain lenses, as needed, at locations on the trail to allow for seasonal drainage under the trail;
- Construct or reconstruct wall less turnpikes, where needed, for portions of the trail;
- Excavate a 20' by 20' by 1' area to construct one accessible parking space in the parking lot;
- Remove existing tree stumps at multiple locations on the trail to accommodate the reroutes and widening of existing trail;
- Excavate three (3) 6" x 6" x 3' holes to install one (1) accessible trail information sign on two (2) 4x4 redwood posts and two (2) regulatory signs, mounted on one (1) 4x4 redwood post at the beginning of the trail;
- Install one (1) redwood bench at the end of the accessible trail section, anchored into the ground with rebar;
- Install one (1) picnic table near the trailhead, anchored into the ground with rebar.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Northern Service Center

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption Class: 1, 3 & 4 Section: 15301, 15303 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The project consists of the minor alteration of existing facilities involving no expansion of use beyond existing, included as "Modifications of existing facilities for disabled access"; the installation of new small structures, included as "installation of interpretive signing or panels, fencing"; and the minor public alterations in the condition of land and vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees, included as "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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