NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
303 Big Trees Park Road
Felton, CA 95018

PROJECT TITLE: Quiroste Valley Cultural Preserve Vegetation Management

LOCATION: Año Nuevo State Reserve

COUNTY: San Mateo

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:
Manage vegetation and enhance habitat for extant populations of California Native Plant Society, state or federally-listed plant species located within Año Nuevo State Reserve to preserve and protect natural resources. Proposed work will maintain flooding, tidal flows, sand movement, and other disturbance regimes, including fire, that support sustainable populations of most of the species, as well as detect and eliminate infestations of exotic, non-native species located within Año Nuevo State Reserve.

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

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

EXEMPT STATUS:
☒ Categorical Exemption
Class: 4
Section: 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:
Project consists of minor alteration in the condition of land and vegetation that do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry purposes and is included as “resource management projects” and “prescribed burns to restore native vegetation, reduce fuel loads” in the Department of Parks and Recreation’s list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR 15300.4.

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