



State of California – The Resources 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  
Sonoma Mendocino Coast District  
25381 Steelhead Boulevard  
P.O. Box 123  
Duncans Mills, CA 95430

**PROJECT TITLE:** Electric Vehicle Charging Station Installation

**LOCATION:** Armstrong Redwoods State Natural Reserve

**COUNTY:** Sonoma

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Install a two unit electric vehicle charging station at the day-use parking area adjacent the Volunteer Center building at Armstrong Redwoods State Natural Reserve to provide electrical vehicle charging services at the park. Work will:

- Remove two (2) twelve inch diameter redwood trees;
- Remove approximately 2000 sf of asphalt and associated buildup of compacted base rock material in the existing day use parking lot;
- Pour approximately 1200 sf of 6" concrete pad, with 6" aggregate base rock foundation, for the two (2) new electric vehicle charging station parking stalls and two (2) additional accessible parking stall and accessible walkways, and the charging station equipment installation;
- Excavate an approximately 80'L x 12"W x 18"D trench, place 2" electrical conduit, tracer tape and backfill with sand and excavated soils;
- Utilize an existing abandoned electrical conduit from the nearby electrical panel to install electrical service;
- Place ¼ to ½ ton boulders at edge of parking area to prevent erosion of fill material.

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

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:**

Sonoma Mendocino Coast District

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

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

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:**

Project consists of maintenance and minor alterations of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that existing, included as "Modifications to existing facilities for disable access" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR § 15300.4; the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; and the minor alteration in the condition of land and vegetation which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry purposes.

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