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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
Eureka, CA 95520-2006

PROJECT TITLE: Campground Predator Proof Infrastructure

LOCATION: Grizzly Creek Redwoods State Park **COUNTY:** Humboldt

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Remove and replace 32 food lockers, 4 trash receptacles, 4 recycling receptacles, and 14 drains for hose bibs with predator proof versions at Grizzly Creek Redwoods State Park campground to reduce unwanted encounters with bears and unintentional feeding and attraction of corvids. Replace worn service items with new ones following State Parks Accessibility Guidelines. Work will:

- Excavate by hand four (4) areas that are 4 feet wide by 5 feet long by 2 inches deep, pour 6 inch thick rebar reinforced concrete slabs over native soil or compacted gravel, and mount four (4) predator proof food lockers atop concrete slabs;
- Excavate by hand twenty-eight (28) post holes 1 foot in diameter by 2 feet deep with a mechanical hand auger and anchor 28 food lockers on metal posts concreted in post holes;
- Excavate by hand eight (8) areas that are 3 feet wide by 5 feet long by 2 inches deep, pour 6 inch thick rebar reinforced concrete slabs over native soil or compacted gravel, and mount four (4) predator proof double trash bins and four (4) predator proof double recycling bins atop concrete slabs;
- Excavate by hand or with small excavator one area measuring 6 feet wide by 8 feet long and up to 8 inches deep, pour a 4 inch concrete slab on native soil or compacted gravel, and attach roll-off prevention curbs to create a secure place for one (1) predator proof two-yard trash dumpster;
- Replace three (3) old dumpsters with 3 new predator proof two-yard trash dumpsters on existing concrete pads or parking areas;
- Modify 14 French drain type water bibs into grated concrete vault drains, relocating four (4) of them to avoid tree root damage;
- Excavate by hand or with small excavator 4 short trenches 1 foot wide and 2 feet deep to reroute water pipes away from tree roots;
- Excavate by hand or with small excavator fourteen (14) pits 3 feet in diameter by 3 feet deep and install grated pre-cast concrete vault drains; and
- Grade excavation spoils and/or gravel around all concrete slabs and vault drains, the tops of which will be slightly above native grade.

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
Class: 1, 3, 4, and 11 *Section: 15301, 15303, 15304, and 15311*

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REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the repair, maintenance and minor alteration of existing public facilities involving no expansion of use beyond current levels; the construction and location of limited numbers of new structures; the minor public alterations in the condition of land and/or vegetation which do not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees; and the construction or placement of minor structures accessory to existing public facilities, included as "Construction or installation of additional public use facilities" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4.

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