



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
Bay Area District
845 Casa Grande Road
Petaluma, CA 94954

PROJECT TITLE: Meadow Restoration and Management

LOCATION: Jack London State Historic Park **COUNTY:** Sonoma

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Remove coyote brush, manzanita shrubs and Douglas-fir seedlings and saplings on approximately 20 acres in Jack London State Historic Park to restore and maintain the diversity and integrity of the native grassland meadows. Work will:

- Manually remove shrubs and small fir trees by cutting plants at their base with no soil disturbance,
- Place tarps over approximately half of the cut stumps to control re-sprouting,
- Manually apply herbicide (glyphosate) on remaining half of the cut stumps to control re-sprouting and re-apply as needed on small re-sprouts. Herbicide application will occur in less than 5% of the meadow acreage, and
- Monitor effectiveness of tarping stumps vs. applying herbicide to stumps for controlling re-sprouting.

Work will occur primarily in the fall outside of bird nesting season, or if any work occurs during nesting season, bird surveys will be done and active nests protected.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation
NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Bay Area District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption

Class: 4, 6

Section: 15304, 15306

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

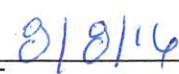
Project consists of minor alterations of land and vegetation that does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees, and basic experimental management and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource, and are included as "resource management projects" and "Experimental resource management" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR §15300.4

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