

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  
7806 Folsom-Auburn Road  
Folsom, CA 95630

PROJECT TITLE: Trailhead Fire Emergency Repairs

LOCATION: Auburn State Recreation Area

COUNTY: El Dorado County

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Conduct emergency repairs along Upper Ford's Bar Road within Auburn State Recreation Area to stabilize the road and slopes that were damaged during the July 2016 Trailhead Fire, to protect and service facilities necessary to maintain services essential to public health, safety and welfare. A qualified Department archaeologist and environmental scientist will be onsite during all work to ensure any sensitive resources in the immediate area are not impacted and to stop or redirect work, as necessary. Work will follow the rehabilitation recommendations provided by the US Forest Service in the September 14, 2016, Meeting Notes for the Auburn SRA Trailhead Fire Soil Assessment. Work will:

- Reinforce existing rolling dips and add new rolling dips upslope of the composting toilet facility;
- Keep soil wet during road work by use of water truck, as necessary;
- Add four (4) signs to the section of the Western States Trail that is through the Trailhead fire area warning trail users about hazards (falling rocks, debris flow, road washouts); and
- Fall hazard trees that may prevent road access.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Gold Fields District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of emergency repairs to publicly or privately owned service facilities necessary to maintain service essential to the public health, safety or welfare, as provided in CCR §15269.

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