NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: State Clearinghouse
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
Central Valley District
22708 Broadway Street
Columbia, CA 95310

PROJECT TITLE: Columbia Gazebo Area Lawn Irrigation

LOCATION: Columbia State Historic Park
COUNTY: Tuolumne

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: The Department of Parks and Recreation will install below-ground irrigation with automatic timers to the area around the gazebo in Columbia State Historic Park to apply water to existing lawns in a defined space around the gazebo. Work will:

- At the south end of the site, excavate a 4ft x 4ft x 12in. hole and install one (1) in-ground Christy box adjacent to two (2) existing boxes install one (1) in-line irrigation valve to control one watering station;
- One (1) total irrigation station will run pop-up sprinkler heads for established lawns, automatically scheduled with a stand-alone battery powered timer;
- Excavate a 260ft L x 8in. W x 12in. D trench, and install approximately 260ft of Schedule 40 PVC;
- Install Low-flow stream type nozzles; and
- Adjust the rocks demarcating the existing paths to more clearly direct foot traffic and enclose the lawns.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Central Valley District

EXEMPT STATUS:
☒ Categorical Exemption
Class: 1 & 4
Section: 15301 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the minor alteration of existing public or private facilities or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels and is included as “Utility repairs or minor upgrades” in the Department of Parks and Recreation’s list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR§15300.4, and the minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes.

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