

**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
1416 Ninth Street
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Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

PROJECT TITLE: Acquisition of Easement - California Coastal Trail (Gaviota Segment)

LOCATION: Gaviota State Park

COUNTY: Santa Barbara

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Execute transfer of title to the Department of Parks and Recreation for an easement across private property, per an Irrevocable Offer to Dedicate, along the proposed Gaviota Segment of the California Coastal Trail within Gaviota State Park. Easement will include provisions to allow use of the land for public access and bike trail purposes. However, any alteration of the property to support pedestrian/bike trail use would be subject to a project-specific evaluation, in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), prior to the start of any development.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Channel Coast District

EXEMPT STATUS:

- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
 Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
 Statutory Exemption (Section: _____)
 Categorical Exemption Class: 16 Section: 15316

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of the acquisition of land (easement) to establish (expand) a park, where land is in a natural condition. CEQA will apply prior to any change from the existing natural conditions or potentially substantial adverse change in the significance of a historic/archaeological resource.

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