

**State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

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PROJECT TITLE: Annual Maintenance Herbicide Spraying

LOCATION: Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park, along Highway 49 in the town of Coloma
COUNTY: El Dorado

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Spray herbicides to control weeds immediately adjacent to developed facilities and administrative areas within Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park. Treatment locations include around buildings, restrooms, picnic sites, radio repeater sites, fences, walls, fuel tanks, signs, garbage containers, sheds, gates and utility sites. The purpose of the spraying is to control weeds to create a fire safe buffer around facilities and to maintain the appearance of facilities to park standards. The required recommendations for herbicides to be used and the application methods in the maintenance spraying program will be obtained from a Certified Pest Advisor. Herbicides likely to be used in the program may include Round-up, Surflan, Redeem, Garlon and Telar, and will be appropriate to the target plant. Herbicides will be applied by park staff with a Qualified Applicator's Certificate. Applications will avoid all water sources and wet areas including rivers, streams, lakes, ponds and drainages (even when dry). Applications will also avoid historic plants such as fruit and nut trees, lilac, holly, roses, iris and daffodils. Spraying will occur only when conditions will permit avoiding any drift or overspray (e.g. wind speed less than 10 MPH). All required records on herbicide use will be filed with El Dorado County.

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: Categorical Exemption Class: 4 Section: 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of minor alteration in the condition of vegetation, which will not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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