

**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  
P.O. Box 942896  
Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

**PROJECT TITLE:** Rock fire pit replacement

**LOCATION:** Fort Ross State Historic Park

**COUNTY:** Sonoma

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:**

Replace two existing non-historic rock fire pits within Fort Ross State Historic Park. The replacements will be constructed on a concrete pad with custom bricks (using historic Russian bricks found at the orchard excavation site as models). All work will be within the footprint of the existing rock fire pits and shall be similar in design and materials to that of the existing structures. No new excavation is required. Project will support continued use and maintenance of a publicly-owned facility.

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

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** North Bay District

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

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

Class: 31                      Section: 15331

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:**

Project consists of the maintenance, repair, and stabilization of a historic resource in a manner consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, restoring, and reconstructing historic Buildings (1995), Weeks and Grimmer ( included as "historical resource restoration/rehabilitation" in the in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR S 15300.4.)

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