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State of California – The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: Petaluma Adobe Creek Bank Stabilization

LOCATION: Petaluma Adobe State Historic Park **COUNTY:** Sonoma

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Armor approximately 100 foot long section of severely eroded creek bank using a combination of revegetation, rock armoring, and erosion control measures. The eroding area is within a recorded historic-era archaeological site (CA-SON-2294/H) that dates back to the 1830s. Important archaeological features have been lost due to the eroding creek bank. At the direction of park staff, heavy equipment will be used to install large boulders within the eroded area avoiding placement into the active channel. Native cuttings of willow will be planted among the boulders to restore riparian vegetation within the eroded area. Work will include laying back loose sloughing streambank segments, excavating fill, shaping the streambank for receipt of boulders, and final placement of boulders according to specified plans. All work will be monitored by the Department of Parks and Recreation district archaeologist. Contractor is responsible for complying with all permit conditions, including but not limited to Department of Fish and Game 1600 permit conditions, and/or United States Army Corp Section 401 and 404 permit conditions.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation
NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Diablo Vista District

EXEMPT STATUS:
☒ Categorical Exemption *Class: 1, 4,* 33 *Section:* 15301,15304, 15333,

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the repair and minor alteration of existing public facilities, or topographical features, involving no expansion of use beyond current levels and minor public alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees, and small habitat restoration projects not exceeding five acres in size to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, and protection of habitat for fish, plants, and wildlife included as "resource management projects" and "stream bank stabilization with native vegetation for the purposes of eliminating erosion and sedimentation" on the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4.

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