

State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: Exotic Plant Removal
LOCATION: Shasta State Historic Park

COUNTY: Shasta

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Remove and treat non-native invasive Scotch Broom (*Cytisus scoparius*), French Broom (*Genista monspessulana*), and Spanish Broom (*Spartium junceum*) that are expanding throughout the landscape at Shasta State Historic Park with potential to threaten the structural integrity of the historic ruins and other structure foundations in the future. Broom shrubs will be controlled throughout the park by mechanical means and herbicides prescribed by a state-licensed Pesticide Control Advisor. Mechanical removal will involve chainsaw and hand loppers for removal. The project does not involve work near historic structures or include ground disturbing activities and will be conducted by and under direction of a DPR-qualified biologist.

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

DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Northern Buttes District

EXEMPT STATUS: Categorical Exemption Class: 4 Section: 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of minor alteration in the condition of public land and vegetation which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and is included as "a resource management project" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR 15300.4.

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