

State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation

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: Demolish Dilapidated House and Relocate a Native Plant Nursery

COUNTY: Santa Cruz

PROJECT LOCATION: Adjacent to an existing agricultural operation at Wilder Ranch State Park

PARK UNIT: Wilder Ranch State Park

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Relocate an existing temporary native plant nursery structures including the greenhouse facility, storage building and shade house. Demolish an abandoned, dilapidated residential building that is currently situated at the location where the nursery will be moved. Remove building materials and associated debris to approved landfill and recycle materials as feasible. Reconstruct a 100 sq. ft. greenhouse, 40 sq. ft. storage building and 80 sq. ft shade house consisting of six, 6 ft. tall wood posts and PVC panels. Install landscape fabric on the ground at the nursery area using metal staples in order to suppress the growth of invasive, non-native plants. Install a solar panel on the roof of an existing garage to operate a timed irrigation system for the nursery. Relocate and install irrigation hoses and other plant propagation equipment to the nursery. Install two 4-ft. tall wood and wire fences, one around the perimeter of the nursery facilities and the other adjacent to an existing farm access road. Landscape the fence, perimeter along the access road, driveway with native plants to serve as a demonstration garden for park visitors.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Santa Cruz District

EXEMPT STATUS:

X Categorical Exemption Class: 1, 3, 4, 11 Section: 15301, 15303, 15304, 15311

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of minor alteration of existing public structures and topographic features involving negligible expansion of use beyond current levels, installation of small new equipment and facilities, minor alteration in the condition of land and vegetation that does not involve the removal of healthy mature scenic trees and placement or construction of minor structural accessories to existing facilities included as "construction of fencing" and placement of temporary use items in publicly owned parks designated for public use on the Department of Parks and Recreation list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR Section 15300.4.

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