



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Underground Existing Overhead Utilities at Point Lobos Dairy
LOCATION: Point Lobos Ranch, Highway One at Riley Ranch Road
COUNTY: Monterey

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Replace existing overhead electrical and telephone service lines with new underground lines serving the Foreman’s House and Milking Barn at the Historic Point Lobos Dairy. Excavate trench between the PG&E service pole at the northeast corner of Riley Ranch Road and Red Wolf Road, across the road to the Foreman’s House, and along the south side of the road to the exterior electrical panel at the front of the Dairy Barn. Extend trench across front yard of the Foreman’s House to provide connection at its existing service panels. Trench will be a maximum of one foot wide and approximately 3.5 feet deep to accommodate electrical and telephone line in 2-inch diameter PVC conduit. Install approximately three 12 X 18-inch junction boxes where the conduit changes direction or where services split from the main run. Remove overhead service lines. Backfill trenches and restore surface to match existing, including pavement cut at road crossing. Secure the conduits to the buildings near the point of connection at the service panels, using surface-penetrating mounting hardware, inconspicuously and with as little impact to the historic fabric as possible. Remove existing overhead service drop appurtenances at the buildings and patch any penetrations through the building exteriors to provide a weather-proof finish. A State Archaeologist (or State Historian in his/her absence) will be notified prior to commencement of work and will monitor all sub-surface work associated with this project. The monitor shall be empowered to stop and/or redirect work to avoid or reduce impacts to potentially significant cultural resources, in the event any are exposed during project activities. In the event that human remains are discovered, work will cease immediately in the area of the find and the project manager/site supervisor will notify the appropriate DPR personnel. Any human remains and/or funerary objects will be left in place. The DPR Sector Superintendent (or authorized representative) will notify the County Coroner, in accordance with §7050.5 of the California Health and Safety Code, and the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) will be notified within 24 hours of the discovery if the Coroner determines that the remains are Native American. The NAHC will designate the “Most Likely Descendent” (MLD) of the deceased Native American. The MLD will recommend an appropriate disposition of the remains. If a Native American monitor is on-site at the time of the discovery and that person has been designated the MLD by the NAHC, the monitor will make the recommendation of the appropriate disposition. Project will support public safety, proposed use and maintenance of a public facility, and provide aesthetic improvements around the historic structures.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation
NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Monterey District
EXEMPT STATUS: Categorical Exemption *Classes: 2, 4, 31 Section: 15302, 15304, 15331*

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of activities affecting historic resources, consistent with the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties; the conversion of existing overhead electrical utility [and telephone] distribution facilities to underground, including connection to existing overhead lines; and minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored, consistent with the Department of Parks and Recreation’s list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR § 15300.4.

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