

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: Montara Exotic Plant Control

PROJECT LOCATION: Montara State Beach, 780 acre portion of Montara Mountain

COUNTY: San Mateo

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Eliminate all accessible pampas grass and select eucalyptus and acacia trees from approximately 780 acres of Montara State Beach utilizing integrated pest control methods. Work will physically remove pampas grass plants along roadways and in disturbed areas with motorized equipment, manually remove pampas grass plants in more remote areas of the park with hand tools or a State Park approved herbicide spray, and remove all eucalyptus trees under 6 inches dbh and specific larger eucalyptus and acacia trees that are not part of any historic plantings. Prior to removing any trees, monitors will ensure that nesting birds or potential butterfly roosts will not be disturbed.

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: 4 Section: 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of minor alteration in the condition of land and vegetation that does not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic native trees and is included as "resource management projects" in the Department of Park and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR 15300.4

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