



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

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
1416 Ninth Street
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Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

PROJECT TITLE: Bill's Trail Modifications

LOCATION: Samuel P. Taylor State Park

COUNTY: Marin

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Perform necessary minor alterations to Bill's Trail at Devil's Gulch at Samuel P. Taylor State Park to accommodate all users, consistent with CSP Policy Notice 2005.06, Trails Policy. To improve visibility, pinch points will be added, constructed of 18" or larger logs in the existing trail using existing down trees and imported as needed, to slow downhill speed at up to 100 locations along the 3.75 mile-long trail. The logs will be placed perpendicular to the constructed trail tread; outslope and sheet drainage will be maintained thus allowing natural flow of water across the trail. Routine maintenance to the existing trail will be performed, including brushing, slough, berm and minor drainage and tread repairs as per guidelines in the Department of Parks and Recreation Trails Handbook, ©1991 California State Parks.

As a pilot program, management will establish an alternating day use schedule allowing horse riding on even numbered days and bicycle riding on odd numbered days and may include seasonal closure for facility and/or resource management. State Parks Management will monitor trail activity and may adjust or change schedules as needed to insure public safety and natural and cultural resource protection.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Marin District

EXEMPT STATUS:

X Categorical Exemption Class: 4, 6 Section: 15304, 15306

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of minor alterations of land and/or vegetation which do not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry purposes; and basic data collection, research, experimental management, and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource.

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