



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Subterranean Easement for Caltrans Highway 1 Improvements

LOCATION: Andrew Molera State Park and Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park

COUNTY: Monterey

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Issue a subterranean Easement to the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for placement of horizontal drains within portions of Andrew Molera and Pfeiffer Big Sur State Parks to prevent landslides. The Easement will be approximately 0.17 acres at Pfeiffer Big Sur and 0.1 acres at Andrew Molera. Both locations are along Highway 1 at post miles 46.9 and 50.0.

All work conducted on State Park property in association with the easement will comply with all State and Federal environmental laws, including but not limited to the Endangered Species Act, California Environmental Quality Act, and Section 5024 of the Public Resources code, DPR will advise Caltrans if any new historical resources (including archaeological sites), special status species, Threatened/Endangered Species, or other resource issues are identified with the area.

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: 5 Sections: 15305

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of minor alteration in the land use limitations in an area with an average slope of less than 20%, that will not result in any significant changes in land use or density, and is included as "issuance of easements and permits" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR §15300.4.

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