



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: South Creek Trail Rehabilitation and Accessibility Improvements

LOCATION: Samuel P. Taylor State Park

COUNTY: Marin

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Upgrade existing facilities at Samuel P. Taylor State Park to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and meet requirements in the "California State Parks Accessibility Guidelines". Along the South Creek Trail work will:

- Excavate 6-12 inches around an existing approximately 80' long by 5' high wood retaining wall to replace;
- Excavate approximately one foot wide by 12" deep and 120' long to construct wood retaining wall that will be 5' high at its tallest point to level the trail;
- Install 6600 cubic feet of stabilized aggregate rock along the 3740 foot long trail to level;
- Clear vegetation to reroute an approximately 72' long by 4 foot wide section of the trail;
- Use a tractor or similar mechanized equipment to move two large logs up to 20' into the maintenance storage yard to establish the South Creek Trail outside the yard;
- Excavate two trenches approximately 12" wide by 6" deep and 20' long to install aggregate to build approaches to the foot bridge;
- Remove split railing along the existing rock bridge then place a new 30' long footbridge over the existing rock bridge and culvert. (old rock culvert will not be removed);
- Construct an approximately 65' long by 4' wide boardwalk, secured with diamond piers anchored in with approximately 36" long 1" wide pins hammered into the ground;
- Excavate two trenches each up to 25' long by 1' wide and 6" deep to install rock and aggregate to build up the trail to create a level stable surface (causeway);
- Excavate 6" deep by 12" wide and 300' long over the length of the trail to build small wood or rock retaining walls averaging 6-12" high to level as necessary;
- Excavate eight holes 1' wide by 2' deep to install signposts;
- Install two redwood benches along the trail;
- Revegetate approximately 575 lf of unofficial and old trail with native plants.

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

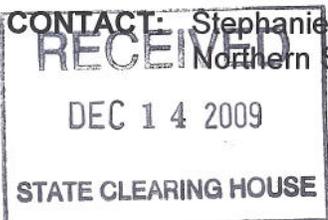
NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Acquisition and Development

EXEMPT STATUS: Categorical Exemption Classes: 1, 3, 4 Sections: 15301, 15303, 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the minor alteration of existing public structures and facilities involving negligible expansion of use beyond current levels included as "modification of existing facilities for handicap access" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR § 15300.4, the construction and location of limited numbers of new small facilities and the minor alteration in the condition of land that does not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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