

**State of California  
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  
Northern Buttes District  
400 Glen Drive  
Oroville, CA 95966

**PROJECT TITLE:** Anderson Marsh SHP Himalayan Blackberry Removal and Habitat Restoration

**LOCATION:** Anderson Marsh State Historic Park      **COUNTY:** Lake

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF THE PROJECT:**

Remove approximately three acres of Himalayan blackberry, and plant Valley oak of local provenance distributed in a natural pattern over 219 acres at Anderson Marsh State Historic Park to restore habitat over a two year period. The first year, work will mechanically remove Himalayan blackberry; spot spray re-sprouts with triclopyr herbicide by a qualified applicator, and plant 100 Valley oak seedlings no deeper than 14 inches with a ventilated tree tube staked 18" deep and four feet above ground level, a 5" diameter cylinder of ¼" hardware cloth buried 9" deep and extending 9" above the surface around the tree tube, and a four foot by 40-inch rectangle of biodegradable tarpaper mulch stapled to the ground. The second year, work will plant 600 local Valley oak acorns just below the soil surface in 200 locations (3 acorns to each tree tube). Ground disturbance will be no more than 9" deep to install the root-protective hardware cloth cylinder, and no more than 18" deep to pound in each stake. The planting sites will not be located in areas of cultural sensitivity.

The District's Environmental Scientist will consult and coordinate planting activities with the District's Archaeologist. DPR-approved standard project requirements have been incorporated into this project. A copy of these requirements may be obtained by submitting a request to the project contact listed below

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

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** Northern Buttes District

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

■ Categorical Exemption Class: 1, 4

Sections: 15301, 15304

**REASON WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:**

Project consists of repair, maintenance and minor alteration of existing public facilities involving no expansion of use beyond current levels and minor public alterations in the condition of land and vegetation that do not involve removal of mature, scenic trees and is included as “resources management projects” in the Department of Parks and Recreation’s list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR § 15300.4.

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