

CEQA #9722

**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
303 Big Tree park Road
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

PROJECT TITLE: West Englesman Trail Re-route.

COUNTY: Santa Cruz

PROJECT LOCATION: Near intersection of West Englesman and Wild Boar Trail;

PARK UNIT: Wilder Ranch State Park

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Re-route +/- 750 yards of trail on the West Englesman trail in Wilder Ranch State Park to prevent erosion and improve visitor safety. Work will manually excavate and use a small trail machine to reduce the trail width from 8-12 ft. to 4-5 ft. and harden an approximately 200 ft. long portion with class 2 base and crowned. Rerouted trail segment will be more effective than repair work and subsequent maintenance to the current alignment. Install a 16 ft. long puncheon to span the head of a drainage area; cover all disturbed areas including the segment of trail to be abandoned with mulch and allow to recover with recruitment from the adjacent grasslands. All work conducted will follow the standards and specifications of the California Recreational Trail Plan.

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:1,3,& 4

Section:15301, 15303 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of the repair, maintenance or minor alteration of an existing public facility involving no expansion beyond current levels; construction and location of new small structures and; minor alterations in the condition of land and/or vegetation that does not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees included as "trails or road repairs, trail construction or realignment and trail removal" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR Section 15300.4

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