

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  
One Capitol Mall, Suite 410  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**PROJECT TITLE:** Accessibility Improvements

**LOCATION:** Bodie State Historic Park

**COUNTY:** Mono

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Improve various facilities at Bodie State Historic Park to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and meet requirements in the 'California State Parks Accessibility Guidelines.' Work will:

**Red Barn/Theater**

- Grade exterior around Red Barn and into street using a maximum 1000 SF of native fill material with an average depth of 1-5 inches to level landing area at entrance
- Replace exterior door threshold, non-historic door and frame with compliant options;
- Replace existing exterior bench with compliant exterior bench;

**Wheaton Hollis Hotel**

- Demolish and excavate existing concrete slab;
- Visually inspect building foundation water damage; repair as necessary and replace slab (6" deep x10' x 48');
- Grade existing area around new slab to provide drainage and compliant slopes.
- Fill area approximately 1000 square feet with an average depth of 1-5".

**Visitor Center (VC)**

- Level door landing and boardwalk area at VC door; construct drop-off area and path of travel.
- Replace the non-historic sales counter inside the VC with a compliant design.
- Reconstruct boardwalk using existing piers; extend beyond existing boardwalk.

**Main Parking Lot and Restroom**

- Install 2 compliant concrete parking spaces adjacent to the new comfort station and stripe;
- Mount 2 ADA parking signs on new ADA comfort station for parking spaces
- Install ADA path from new compliant parking to new comfort station;
- Demolish existing restroom
- Install new, 23' x 27' and 15' tall, 6 stall (2 compliant stalls) restroom with a concrete pedestrian walkway around the building in or in approximate location of the existing; utilize existing utilities;

**Display Panels at Parking Area**

- Relocate existing display panel, iron ranger, park signs, etc., to an adjacent location.
- Install ADA parking signs for the ADA parking spaces.

**Green Street**

- Replace existing drinking fountain

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

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** Accessibility Section

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

Categorical Exemption Class: 1, 2, 3, and 4 Section: 15301, 15302, 15303, and 15304

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of the minor alteration of existing public facilities and topographic features involving negligible expansion of use beyond current levels; replacement of existing structures/facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity; construction of new small facilities or structures and the installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures, minor public alterations in the condition of land and vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees; included as "modifications of existing facilities for handicap access", "installation of park facilities such as signs and restrooms," and "trail construction or realignment" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR § 15300.4..

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