



**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND INTENT TO ADOPT
AN INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
FOR THE PROPOSED
EL CAPITÁN STATE BEACH
CONSTRUCT NEW LIFEGUARD OPERATIONS FACILITY PROJECT**

Date: November 30, 2015

The California Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR) has prepared and intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the El Capitán State Beach Replacement Lifeguard Operations Facility Project, in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and State CEQA Guidelines. CDPR is the lead agency for the Proposed Project under CEQA.

PROJECT LOCATION: The project site is within El Capitán State Beach in the County of Santa Barbara, approximately 20 miles west of the City of Santa Barbara.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT: The new lifeguard operations facility, 0.25 miles northeast of the existing lifeguard tower, would include approximately 5,500 – 6,500 square feet of space for Park operations and visitor contact. Adjacent to the new facility, an existing and informal vehicle storage/laydown area, approximately 23,000 square feet, would be improved and continue to provide support functions. Improvements to the laydown area would include grading and enclosing it with fencing. The existing lifeguard tower would be demolished, vegetated and made available for visitors to view the coastline.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The Draft IS/MND is being made available for public review and comment for a period of 30 days, beginning **Monday November 30, 2015** and ending on **Wednesday December 30, 2015**. Your views, comments and questions regarding this IS/MND are welcomed including concerns with environmental impacts of the Project's implementation and operation. All comments received during the public review period shall be considered. Comments should be directed to:

ATTN: El Capitán SB Operations Facility
California State Parks
Southern Service Center
2797 Truxtun Road
San Diego, CA 92106

or by email to enviro@parks.ca.gov (Please place "El Capitán Operations Facility Project" in the subject line)

A copy of the Draft EIR may be reviewed at the following locations during normal business hours or downloaded from the CDPR website at the following web address:

http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=983

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