State of California – The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Project # CRSP 135

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Cold Stream Trail Section Reroute (CRSP 158)

LOCATION: Cuyamaca Rancho State Park **COUNTY:** San Diego

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: The existing 1/10 mile section of the Cold Stream Trail is deeply eroded, exceeds grades of 15%, and is not sustainable. The new 1/10 mile reroute section will be built at sustainable grades of less than 7%. Excavation will be less than 12" in depth to construct the new trail tread. All trees will be avoided during construction. The existing trail will be decommissioned by loosening the compacted tread soil and installing brush, rock, and/or wood check dams. Vegetation removed in the new construction will be used to camouflage the decommissioned trail section. The new trail section is not near a stream or water. The trail is multiuse including equestrians and is not suitable as an ADA route of travel.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Colorado Desert District

EXEMPT STATUS:

- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- ☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- ☐ Statutory Exemption (Section)
- ☒ Categorical Exemption

Class: 1 and 4 *Section:* 15301 and 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: No potential for significant impact to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA §15300.2. If the project is implemented as indicated within the project description including comments provided by CDPR specialists, then it is exempt under CEQA §15301 – Existing Facilities and §15304 – Minor Alterations to Land. The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt activities according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- "Trail or road repairs" (Class 1, Section 15301); and
- "Trail construction or realignment" (Class 4, Section 15304)

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