



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: **El Capitan Fire Restoration 07**

LOCATION: El Capitan SB
COUNTY: Santa Barbara

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Replacement of shrubs and trees that were burned in this park unit during the accidental fire in 2005. Plants used will be provided by Union Pacific Railroad as mitigation for their trestle vegetation management program. A drainage swale will be created to manage the accelerated runoff .

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Channel Coast

EXEMPT STATUS:

- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- Statutory Exemption (Section)
- Categorical Exemption
Class: 4 Section(s): 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated.
A resource ecologist will ensure avoidance of significant impacts to natural resources.
An archaeologist will ensure avoidance of significant impacts to cultural resources.
Project will result in the improvement of habitat for fish and wildlife resources (class 4d)
Project does not result in the taking of endangered, rare, or threatened plant or animal species or significant erosion and sedimentation of surface waters (class 4i).

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