



### NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:** Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 222  
P.O. Box 3044  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
1416 Ninth Street  
P.O. Box 942896  
Sacramento, CA 94296-0001

**PROJECT TITLE:** Torrey Pine and Maritime Chaparral Restoration (13/14-SD-14)

**LOCATION:** Torrey Pines SNR

**COUNTY:** San Diego

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:**

This project will remove the invasive sea fig (*Carpobrotus edulis*) from an exposed hillside along North Torrey Pines Road within Torrey Pines State Natural Reserve. Then the area will be replanted with maritime chaparral plants, including Torrey pines and scrub oak to protect park resources.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT:** California Department of Parks and Recreation  
**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** San Diego Coast

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
  - Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
  - Statutory Exemption
  - Categorical Exemption
- Class: 4, 33 Section(s): 15304, 15333

**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 conditions provided by CDPR specialists, then it is exempt under CEQA §15304 - Minor Alterations to Land and §15333 – Small Habitat Restoration Projects (≤ 5 acres). The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt activities according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- “Resource management projects” and “Stewardship projects” (Class 4, Section 15304); and
- “Revegetation of disturbed areas with native plant species” and “Projects to restore or enhance habitat that are carried out principally with hand labor and not mechanized equipment” (Class 33, Section 15333)

The project does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees (Class 4).

**CONTACT:** Cindy Krimmel  
District Environmental Coordinator  
California Department of Parks & Recreation  
San Diego Coast District Headquarters  
4477 Pacific Highway  
San Diego, CA 92110

**PHONE:** (619) 278-3771  
**EMAIL:** cindy.krimmel@parks.ca.gov

Clay Phillips  
District Superintendent, San Diego Coast District

10/14/13 \_\_\_\_\_  
Date