



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

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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation  
Southern Service Center  
2797 Truxtun Rd.  
San Diego, CA 92106

PROJECT TITLE: Wetland Delineation for Lagoon Trail Accessibility Improvements

LOCATION: Pismo State Beach

COUNTY: San Luis Obispo

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

This project would carry out wetland delineation to determine if jurisdictional wetlands, as defined by the United State Army Corps of Engineers and/or the California Coastal Commission are present within the footprint of a potential project to construct accessibility improvements to existing trails at Pismo State Beach. Work will include, but it is not limited to, digging soil pits to analyze for the presence of conditions suitable for wetlands. These pits would be within and adjacent to existing trails. Test pits would be approximately 1-2 feet in diameter and 14-21 inches deep. Results of this work will be used to assist in the design of the proposed project to avoid and/or minimize impacts to wetlands.

Measures implemented into the project to keep impacts to a less-than-significant level may be obtained by submitting a request to the project environmental coordinator listed below.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation  
NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Southern Service Center

EXEMPT STATUS:

- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- Statutory Exemption
- Categorical Exemption    Section: 15306 – Information Collection

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 CDPFR staff, then it is exempt under the CDPFR Departmental List of Exempt Activities as established by CEQA §15300.4 as:

- Resource studies, inventories, or baseline monitoring with sampling or collection, that are conducted or monitored by Department staff.

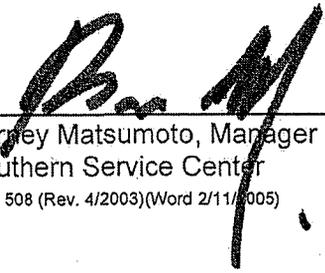
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