



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Eucalyptus Control (10-11-SD-19)

LOCATION: Border Field State Park

COUNTY: San Diego

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

This project consists of the control/removal of invasive Eucalyptus trees locate at the eastern base of Bunker Hill in Border Field State Park. The grove consists of roughly 21 mature trees of the species Red Gum (Eucalyptus camaldulensis) & Blue Gum (Eucalyptus globulus) and a swarm of saplings and younger recruits. The trees will be removed by girdling, drilling and falling of the trees. Removal of trees is consistent with State Parks policy regarding invasive species. The project is high priority because species have been invading and competing for resources with adjacent mulefat scrub which serves as habitat for endangered species (least Bell's vireo, Vireo bellii).

DPR-approved standard project requirements have been incorporated into this project. A copy of these requirements 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: San Diego Coast

EXEMPT STATUS:

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

Class: Section(s): 15333

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated in compliance with Section 15300.2.

A resource ecologist will ensure avoidance of significant impacts to natural resources.

An archaeologist will ensure avoidance of significant impacts to cultural resources.

Project consists of projects not to exceed five acres in size to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of habitat for fish, plants, or wildlife that would not disturb hazardous materials or cause significant adverse effects on endangered, rare or threatened species or their habitat (Class 33).

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