



### NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:** Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
Colorado Desert District  
200 Palm Canyon Drive  
Borrego Springs, CA 92004-5005

**PROJECT TITLE:** Paleoseismic Investigation – Clark Lake

**LOCATION:** Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, S-22 and Rock House Canyon

**COUNTY:** San Diego

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Conduct hand trenching in approximately two locations to locate and study earthquake faulting at Clark Lake in Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. Project will date soils and sediments. San Diego State University will be issued a soil investigations permit to conduct the work.

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:** Colorado Desert District

**EXEMPT STATUS:**  Categorical Exemption      *Class: 4, 5, 6    Section: 15304, 15305, 15306*

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated in compliance with Section 15300.2. Project consists of minor alterations to land; minor alterations in land use limitations in areas with an average slope of less than 20%, which do not result in any changes in land use or density; and basic data collection and research which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource and is included in DPR’s list of exempt activities as “Issuance of temporary use permits” and “Soils and structural engineering tests” in accordance with CCR § 15300.4.

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