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

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Sentinel Chicken Flock at Revegetation Site Adjacent to Finkkote Ave. (10-11-SD-42)
LOCATION: Torrey pines State Natural Reserve **COUNTY: San Diego**

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:
This project consists of the county of San Diego Health Vector Control Program (VCP) seasonally maintaining a sentinel chicken flock near the Marsh at Torrey Pines SR. The project will involve construction of a temporary, moveable coop located well outside of public view. No digging or ground disturbance will be necessary for installation of coop. The VCP maintains sentinel chicken flocks as an integral part of its vector-borne disease surveillance program. Detection of arboviral transmission within bird populations can be accomplished by using caged chickens as sentinels and bleeding them routinely to detect antibodies (seroconversions). Chickens are places in locations where mosquito abundance is known to be high or where there is a history of virus activity.
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: 6 Section(s): 15306

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.
There will be negligible or no expansion of existing use (class 1)
Project will not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource. (class 6)

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Date