



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: CRSP - West Side Trail Fence (03/04-CD-24)

LOCATION: Cuyamaca Rancho State Park **COUNTY:** San Diego

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

The project consists of building a fence approximately 230 feet long along the West Side Trail to restrict access to an archaeological site. The fence will be split-rail style, with approximately 24 posts buried to a depth of 24 inches. Two informational signs will also be placed along the fence on additional 4x4 posts. An archaeological monitor will be present during excavation to ensure archaeological resources are not impacted. The site is in an area of heavily disturbed vegetation and it has been determined by a State Park Resource Ecologist that there will be no impact on natural resources.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Colorado Desert

EXEMPT STATUS:

- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- Statutory Exemption (Section)
- Categorical Exemption
 Class: 3, 4 Section(s): 15303 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated.
An archaeologist will ensure avoidance of significant impacts to cultural resources.
Consists of construction of limited numbers of new, small facilities (Class 3)
Project does not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees (class 4)

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