



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: Excavate Hesperotestudo

LOCATION: Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, Hwy. 78 and S-2

COUNTY: San Diego

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Excavate, recover, and conserve Hesperotestudo fossilized bones. Approximately 10 square meters of surface disturbance will be involved. Most excavated material will be replaced at the excavation. Project protects fragile natural resources.

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* *Section: 15304*

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 public alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and is included in DPR's list of exempt activities as "resource management projects" in accordance with CCR § 15300.4.

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