



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

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION 2016068210

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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
Inland Empire District
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PROJECT TITLE: Yellowstar Thistle and Sahara Mustard Management, Chino Hills SP (15/16-IE-14)
LOCATION: Chino Hills State Park COUNTY: San Bernardino

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

This project is the mapping and treatment of known yellowstar thistle, *Centaurea solstitialis*, and Sahara mustard, *Brassica tournefortii*, infestations in the Coal Canyon area of Chino Hills State Park. A Right of Entry Permit has been issued to The Natural Conservancy and it's contractors for this project. The infestations will be mapped and tracked using GPS and GIS technology. The weeds will be controlled using an adaptive management strategy including hand weeding and herbicide application. 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: Inland Empire

EXEMPT STATUS:

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

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated in compliance with Section 15300.2. If the project is implemented as indicated within the CDPR Project Evaluation Form including measures provided by CDPR staff, then it is exempt under the CDPR list of Exempt Activities according to CEQA §15300.4 as:
Class 4, Section 15304-Minor Alterations to Land

- Resource management projects.

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