



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Jolly Oyster Picnic Area Surface Improvements (Project ID No. 14-02)

LOCATION: San Buenaventura State Beach **COUNTY:** Ventura

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: The project is to improve visitor usage of a picnic area adjacent to the Jolly Oyster concession located in Lot C at San Buenaventura State Beach (SBSB) by replacing a 6890 sq. ft. area of turf grass with a decomposed granite surface. Currently only one picnic table in the area contains an improved surface which meets ADA compliance. An over-abundance of burrowing rodents has riddled the ground with holes creating a poorly developed surface which is unappealing to visitors. The improvements will include installation of 6,890 sq. feet of wire mesh for rodent control and replace soil with 42 yards of road base material, topped with 64 yards of decomposed granite and compacted to a firm surface which will comply with ADA standards. DPR standard project requirements have been incorporated into this project and can be obtained by contacting the environmental coordinator.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Channel Coast District

EXEMPT STATUS:

- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- Statutory Exemption (Section)
- Categorical Exemption
Class: 1, 4 Section: 15301, 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: No potential for significant impact to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA §15300.2. If the project is implemented as indicated within the project description including conditions provided by CDPR specialists, then it is exempt under CEQA §15301 – Existing Facilities and CEQA §15304 – Minor Alterations to Land. The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt activities according to CEQA § 15300.4 as outlined in the Department of Operations Manual, Chapter 0600:

- "Modifications of existing facilities for handicap access" (Class 1, Section 15301); and
- "Grading on land with a slope of less than 10 percent" (Class 4, Section 15304)

Class 4 consists of minor alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or other vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees

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