



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Torrey Pines High Point Circular Bench (14/15-SD-32)

LOCATION: Torrey Pines SNR - 630 **COUNTY:** San Diego

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

This project will replace the existing single bench with a wooden circular bench around a planted area at the top of High Point Trail in Torrey Pines State Natural Reserve. The new bench will provide views in all directions to improve visitor services.

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
- Categorical Exemption**
Class: 1, 3 Section(s): 15301 15303

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 §15303 - New Construction. The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt activities according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- Repair and minor alteration of existing public facilities and topographical features, involving negligible expansion of use beyond current levels (Class 1, Section 15301).
- Construction or installation of park facilities... (Class 3, Section 15303).

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