



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

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE: Anadromous Steelhead Monitoring Antenna
LOCATION: Malibu Creek State Park **COUNTY:** Los Angeles
DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

The Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains is requesting a Right-of-Entry permit to install and monitor an instream pass-over antenna system in lower Malibu Creek in order to obtain spatial information on tagged anadromous steelhead fish utilizing the stream channel. The system will build upon the infrastructure of an existing permanent solar-powered water quality monitoring station.

Additional solar panels, a battery strong box and reader box will be co-located with the existing pole. The previous trench alignment will be used to connect cable to the instream antenna, which consist of two loops of copper cable/cords secured to the creek substrate with 10-20 embedded soil anchors and submersible tuners. Pedestrian access for routine maintenance and data downloading on a monthly basis and following storm events, will be required.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation
NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Angeles

EXEMPT STATUS:

- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- Statutory Exemption (Section)
- Categorical Exemption
Class: 6 Section(s): 15306

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 comments provided by CDPR specialists, then it is exempt under CEQA §15306 – Information Collection. The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt activities according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- “Resource studies, inventories.” (Class 6, Section 15306)

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