



**State of California – The Natural Resources Agency  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION  
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

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**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
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**PROJECT TITLE:** District Shade Structure

**LOCATION:** San Clemente State Beach

**COUNTY:** Orange

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:**

**Purpose:** This project aims to improve the area of the Orange Coast District, the District Yard; resulting in an efficient use of the space. The installation of shade structures to increase the life of District fleet by providing covered parking.

**Scope:** Install large shade sails to cover the area between the lifeguard building and the ranger building. Approx. 90'x50' shaded area with 8 footing poles installed into the asphalt approx. 10' deep with a 2' square footprint to be drilled. Backfilled with reinforced concrete.

**Site Conditions:** Existing asphalt parking lot that encompasses the Orange Coast District Yard.

Measures to be implemented to avoid significant impact 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:** California Department of Parks and Recreation

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

- Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
- Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
- Statutory Exemption
- Categorical Exemption

**Class:** 3,11

**Section:** 15303, 15311

**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 CEQA §15303 – New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures and §15311 – Accessory Structures. The actions fall under the Departmental List of Exempt activities as established according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- Construction or installation of park facilities (shade structure) (Class 3, Section 15303); and
- Accessory Structure (shade structure) (Class 3, Section 15311)

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