



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

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:** Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
Diablo Range District  
15751 Tesla Road  
Livermore, CA 94550

**PROJECT TITLE:** Upper Ranch Interpretive Welcome Panels

**LOCATION:** Hollister Hills State Vehicular Recreation Area      **COUNTY:** San Benito

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Install two (2) new interpretive panels with a map and basic off-highway vehicle rules and regulations to orient visitors to Upper Ranch at Hollister Hills State Vehicular Recreation Area. One sign will be installed in front of campground bathrooms at Obstacle Course Campground and at Sycamore Campground. For each new sign, park staff will:

- Use an auger to excavate two (2) 6" wide x 24" deep holes;
- In each hole install one (1) 3" diameter length powder coated aluminum post approximately 72" above grade;
- Fill the holes with concrete around the posts;
- Attach 44" high x 55" wide interpretive panel to the posts; and
- Spread excavated materials on site.

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

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** Diablo Range District

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

Categorical Exemption      *Class: 3, 4*      *Section: 15303 & 15304*

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures and is included as "installation of park facilities, such as interpretive signing or panels" in the Department of Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4, and minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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