NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation Santa Cruz District 303 Big Trees Park Road Felton, CA 95018

PROJECT TITLE: Coastside Trail HMB – Mirada Road Trail Reroute

LOCATION: Half Moon Bay State Beach **COUNTY:** San Mateo

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Project consists of rerouting the coastal trail due to bluff erosion at Half Moon Bay State Beach. Work will add approximately 200-sqft of trail on the inland side of existing trail away from bluff failure. Ground disturbance over the 200-sqft area will not extend below 6 inches depth. Any root 3 inches in diameter or greater encountered during excavation shall be left intact and shall not be cut, damaged, or relocated. Galvanized wire fencing will be installed on the coastal edge of trail on 6-foot metal fence posts. Following the removal of pavement at fence post sites, fence posts will be installed manually via post pounding at a depth of 2 feet with no excavation needed.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Santa Cruz District

EXEMPT STATUS:

⊠ Categorical Exemption

Class: 1 and 4 Section: 15301 and 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels and minor public or private alterations in the condition of land and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and is included as "Trail construction or realignment" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR § 15300.4.

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