

CEQA # 14409
District # 24/25-05



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

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
Northern Buttes District
400 Glenn Drive
Oroville, CA 95966

PROJECT TITLE: Wildlife Proof Food Storage Lockers and Trash Receptacles

LOCATION: Northern Buttes Districtwide

COUNTY: Multiple

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Project proposes to install new wildlife-proof trash/recycling bins, food storage lockers and dumpsters (up to 1,013 units) throughout fourteen (14) parks within the Northern Buttes District to provide improved facilities for public use and to reduce wildlife interactions with food and trash.

The new food lockers will be located within the bounds of designated campsites, with final placement at the discretion of the maintenance personnel, to compensate for already existing facilities (i.e., tent pads, fire pits, etc.). All food lockers placed at ADA sites/campsites will be placed in the same locations as the removed to ensure the new unit meets current ADA guidelines.

Installation will utilize either a pole mount method, requiring one (1) 12-in x 22-in. hole to be dug for each unit or utilize wooden beams and rebar to anchor the unit in areas where no hole can be dug.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Northern Buttes District

EXEMPT STATUS:

☒ Categorical Exemption *Class:* 1, 2, 3 & 4 *Section:* 15301, 15302, 15303 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, mechanical equipment, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels and is listed as "Utility repairs or minor upgrades" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR § 15300.4; replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced; construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; 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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