

**State of California
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 1416 Ninth Street P.O. Box 942896 Sacramento, CA 94296-0001
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PROJECT TITLE: State Park Facilities Fuel Reduction and Forest Fuels Management

LOCATION: Mendocino Woodlands State Park, Jug Handle State Natural Reserve, Russian Gulch State Park, Point Cabrillo Light Station State Historic Park, and Van Damme State Park **COUNTY:** Mendocino

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

The California Department of Parks and Recreation will reduce fuels around facilities and within overstocked forests, focusing in thinning trees under 11" dbh and utilizing pile burning on site.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Sonoma Mendocino Coast District

EXEMPT STATUS:

X Categorical Exemption Class: 1 & 4 Sections: 15301 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Categorical Exemption. Class: 1 & 4 Sections: 15301 & 15304.

Project consists of the operation, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels, and minor public or private alterations in the condition of land and vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and is included as "Prescribed burns to restore native vegetation, reduce fuel loads, and control invasive exotic or alien species" and "Resource management projects" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR § 15300.4.

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