



**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
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PROJECT TITLE: Right of Entry Permit to MasTec Communications Group for Fiber Optic Maintenance

LOCATION: Refugio State Beach

COUNTY: Santa Barbara

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

The project entails granting a right of entry permit to MasTec Communications Group for temporary access across State Park property in order to replace fiber optic cables in an easement located entirely within the Union Pacific Railroad (UPR) right of way. The work does not expand existing facilities and only includes fiber splicing between existing manholes and associated maintenance operations, all occurring in the UPR right of way with no disturbance to State Parks' property. All work shall adhere to Departmental policies and standard best management practices to minimize impacts to sensitive resources.

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

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

EXEMPT STATUS:

☒ Categorical Exemption *Class:* 5 *Section:* 15305

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The project consists of minor alterations in land use limitations in an area with average slope of less than 20% and is included as "issuance of permits" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR 15300.4.

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