

**CEQA # 14321**  
**District Project # 25-25**



**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  
Diablo Range District  
15751 Tesla Road  
Livermore, CA 94550

**PROJECT TITLE:** Carnegie State Vehicular Recreation Area Far Western Testing

**LOCATION:** Carnegie State Vehicular Recreation Area

**COUNTY:** San Joaquin

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** The purpose of this project is to issue a research permit to Far Western to conduct to do exploratory research and subsurface testing in the Clear Basin area of Carnegie State Vehicular Recreation Area to help inform erosion management Best Management Practices related to off-road use in the area.

**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:* 5    *Section:* 15305

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of minor alterations in land use limitations in areas with an average slope of less than 20%, which do not result in any changes in land use or density, and is included as "Issuance of easements and permits" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4.

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