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 Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division
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Notice of Exemption

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| To: Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044, Room 113 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044 | From: California Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR), Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division 1725 23rd Street, Suite 200 Sacramento, CA 95816-7100 |
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Project Title: Carnegie State Vehicular Recreation Area – Eastern Temporary Access Road

Project Location – Specific: Carnegie State Vehicular Recreation Area (SVRA)

Project Location – City: Tracy

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: Carnegie SVRA had selected five creek crossings throughout the park in 2011 as part of the Storm Water Management Plan. These crossings allowed access to all major facilities in the park including tracks, staging areas, event areas, and trails. The SRI crossing was the most eastern crossing and was the primary access route to the 4x4 facility and MX track along with the most direct access to the SRI and Red Tail trail network. This crossing is no longer permissible for the public due to an easement dispute and therefore the facilities on the southeaster portion of the park are restricted and/or closed to the public. This project would resurrect an access route in order to reestablish connectivity to these facilities and provide quicker emergency response times to the eastern portion of the park. This route was closed in 2009 due to the redundancy established by the SRI crossing. In order to provide access to the public and park staff, this route will need to be graded as a cut bank has been created due to flow events that have occurred during the past several winters. Once graded and smooth, precast articulated concrete matting (8 feet x 8 feet) will be laid over the bed and bank of the creek (16 feet wide x 104 feet long). This will be removable once the crossing is no longer needed and the permanent solution has been built. The route would be graded to approximately 16 feet wide and be approximately 225 feet in length. Approximately 10 cubic yards of material will be sloped away from the right bank to make the smooth transition and will be stabilized on the access route. Cuts will be no more than 24 inches on the bank and no more than 2 inches in the channel area. This work would be done during dry weather and no flow. The creek is approximately 18.5 feet (U.S. Waters) wide in this area and the access road would temporarily disturb 296 square feet of U.S. Waters. Fencing that is both water and wildlife-friendly will be installed to prevent staff and the public from deviating away from the designated crossing. The project area does not have any ground squirrel burrows present. No native trees or shrubs will be impacted by this work. An environmental scientist will be on-site during ground disturbing activities.

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Carnegie SVRA

Exempt Status: Categorical Exemption 15301 Repair of Existing Road

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is exempt because it falls within the CE classes listed above. Project activities described above do not have the potential for causing a significant adverse effect on the environment.

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