## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: Office of Planning and Research

1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 From: 41st District Agricultural Association (DAA)

421 Hwy 101 North Crescent City, CA 95531

Project Title: Del Norte County Fairgrounds Easement for CVS Pharmacy No. 10478 Overflow Storm Drain

Project Location - Specific: 400 U.S. Highway 101 North, Del Norte County Assessor's Parcel Number 118-02-033

Project Location - City: Crescent City

Project Location - County: Del Norte

## **Description of Nature and Purpose of Project:**

The State (41st DAA) proposes to grant an easement across Del Norte County Fairgrounds for CVS Pharmacy No. 10478 for installation of a new overflow storm drain pipeline. The easement runs from East Cooper Avenue to the northeast edge of the fairgrounds. Project construction includes excavation for a trench about 600 feet long, installation of a 24-inch storm drain, and restoring to pre-construction conditions. A headwall with graded outlet is proposed at the west end of the pipe. Two sleet pipe inlets will be connected side-by-side at the western end of the storm drain. The project includes environmental design features to minimize construction related impacts, such as compliance with requirements of the General Permit for Discharges of Storm Water Associated with Linear Underground Project, Best Management Practices for controlling fugitive dust, preconstruction nesting bird survey during the bird-nesting period (February 1 through August 15), procedures for inadvertent discoveries of human remains and cultural resources, and where subsurface soil testing confirms impacted soil, a Soil Management Plan that describes proper handling and disposal of impacted soil within or adjacent to the pipeline alignment. The project will correct a drainage problem by conveying overflow storm water across the fairgrounds property.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: 41st DAA

## Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:

Patricia Ely, Sr. Real Estate Officer, Real Estate Services Division, Department of General Services

**EXEMPT STATUS:** CEQA Statutory Section 15282(k): The installation of new pipeline less than one mile in length. CEQA Categorical Exemptions: 15301(b) and/or 15304(f), where the project is a minor alteration of existing public facility and involves minor trenching and backfilling where the surface is restored

## Reason Why Project Is Exempt:

After assessing potential environmental impacts and evaluating the description for the various classes of exemptions to CEQA, the State has determined that the project fits within one or more of the following exemption classes: 15282 (k), 15301(b) and/or 15304(f) and that no exceptions exist at the project site that would preclude the use of these exemptions. The State considered the possibility of (a) sensitive location, (b) cumulative impact, (c) significant impact due to unusual circumstances, (d) impacts to scenic highways, (e) activities within a hazardous waste site, and (f) significant adverse change to the significance of a historical resource.

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