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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation

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PROJECT TITLE: Shiny Geranium Treatment Project

LOCATION: Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park and Jedediah Smith Redwoods State Park

COUNTY: Del Norte

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Undertake an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program at Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park and Jedediah Smith Redwoods State Park to control and eradicate the invasive, non-native, shiny geranium (Geranium *lucidum*). In areas that are relatively flat, with few plants, workers will use hand tools to manually remove plants. Excavation to remove the plants will not exceed 12". Where the shiny geranium infestation covers a large area and is well established, staff will use an herbicide to treat the plants foliarly. Herbicide treatment will occur only during the dry season and a North Coast Redwoods District (NCRD) staff member with a Qualified Applicators Certificate will oversee all applications conducted by NCRD Natural Resource staff.

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

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

EXEMPT STATUS:

Class: 4

Section: 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the minor public alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation that do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and is included as *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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