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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 1416 Ninth Street

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PROJECT TITLE: Invasive Weed Removal to Enhance Vernal Pool Habitat at Tomato Fields - 19/20-

SD-15

**LOCATION:** South Carlsbad State Beach

**COUNTY:** San Diego

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** This project will remove nonnative plant species and accumulated organic material (i.e. duff) through a combination of raking, cutting, solarizing and chemical treatments on five acres of the "Tomato Fields" parcel of South Carlsbad State Beach in order to enhance upland and vernal pool habitat.

Measures to be implemented to avoid impact may be obtained by submitting a request to the project Environmental Coordinator listed below.

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

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

## **EXEMPT STATUS:**

Declared Emergency (Se	ection 15269(a))
☐ Emergency Project (Sect	ion 15269(b) and (c))
☐ Statutory Exemption (Sec	ction )
□ Categorical Exemption	
Class: 4	Section: 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: No potential for significant impact to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA §15300.4. If the project is implemented as indicated within the CDPR Project Evaluation Form, then it is exempt under CEQA §15304–Minor Alterations to Land. The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt activities according to CEQA §15300.4 as "Minor alterations in the condition of land and vegetation that will not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees" (Class 4, Section 15304).

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