



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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TO: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
Santa Cruz District
303 Big Trees Park Road
Felton, CA 95018

PROJECT TITLE: Upper Aptos Creek Fire Road Gate and Barrier Installation

LOCATION: The Forest of Nisene Marks State Park **COUNTY:** Santa Cruz

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: The project will install a security gate and associated barriers at the intersection of Buzzard Lagoon Road and Aptos Creek Fire Road in The Forest of Nisene Marks State Park to increase law enforcement access, visibility, and protection of resources. Work will:

- Excavate two (2) 4' deep by 3' diameter post holes and install gate posts secured with concrete;
- Install a 16' steel gate between the posts; and
- Construct approximately 65' long barriers on either side of the new gate. Barriers will be composed solely of any combination of boulders, downed wood, steel posts in concrete, and/or steel cable.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Santa Cruz District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption

Class: 3 & 4

Section: 15303 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures, included as "fencing and gates" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4; and the minor public or private alterations in the condition of land and/or vegetation which does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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