

**State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation**

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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
750 Hearst Castle Rd
San Simeon, CA 93452

PROJECT TITLE: Upgrade USGS Seismic Monitoring Equipment

LOCATION: Montaña de Oro State Park **COUNTY:** San Luis Obispo County

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Upgrade the existing USGS seismic monitoring equipment at Montaña de Oro State Park for the "ShakeAlert" statewide earthquake early warning system. USGS employees will complete the following work:

- Remove the existing solar panel, antenna, support post and two (2) existing 16-inch diameter culverts;
- Clear and level a 35-foot long by 5-foot wide area and excavate up to 0.5 cubic yards soil for new concrete pads and conduit;
- Install two (2) 6-inch thick concrete pads; and
- Install up to four (4) 2 foot x 4 foot solar panels; two (2) 2 foot x 2 foot x 3 foot metal boxes to house sensors, a battery and radio; and a 25 foot long conduit.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: San Luis Obispo Coast

EXEMPT STATUS

Categorical Exemption Classes: 2, 4, Sections: 15302, 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

This project consists of replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced; and minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry and agricultural purposes.

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