## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 FAX (916) 323-3018 FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation Monterey District 2211 Garden Road Monterey, CA 93940

PROJECT TITLE: Limekiln Creek Redwood Riparian Protection and Restoration

LOCATION: Limekiln State Park

**COUNTY**: Monterey

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Install a fence and plant trees to protect and restore a portion of the Redwood Riparian zone along Limekiln Creek in Limekiln State Park to create a safer camping experience for park visitors and aid in vegetation restoration. Work will:

- Use salvaged redwood rounds as fence post bases and construct approx. 500 linear feet of cedar split
  rail fencing without excavating for posts;
- Attach one (1) interpretive sign and up to ten (10) regulatory signs (one (1) every 50 ft.) to the fence to covey to visitors how and why the fence protects the sensitive natural resources and makes the campsites safer;
- Plant approx. sixty (60) coast redwood, cottonwood, willow or other native tree species in an approx. 2acre area of previously disturbed land along the north terrace of Limekiln Creek; and
- Use hand tools to scarify the soil of, and then cover with existing leaf litter, an approx. .4-acre protected area between the new fence and Limekiln Creek and to aid in the rehabilitation of user created trails. The area will not be planted, but will be allowed to rehabilitate naturally.

## PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT:

California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Monterey District

**EXEMPT STATUS:**  $\boxtimes$  Categorical Exemption

Class: 1, 3 & 4 Section: 15301, 15303 & 15304

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of the repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing structures or facilities, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond existing; construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities and structures, included as "fencing" in the Department of Parks and Recreations list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4, and minor alterations in the condition of land, water and/or vegetation which do not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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