NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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

FROM: California State Parks One Capitol Mall, Suite 410 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

PROJECT TITLE: Natural Bridges State Beach - Accessibility Improvements Geotechnical Investigation

LOCATION: Natural Bridges State Beach

COUNTY: Santa Cruz County

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: The project will provide geotechnical services to identify the soil conditions under and around four (4) boring sites within the park. The project will identify existing site conditions; drill using a 6-inch auger on a truck mounted drill rig to a depth of 15 feet; record the soil conditions; backfill all excavation with soil cuttings. Work at each of the sites includes:

Geotechnical Investigation at all locations:

- Perform four (4) exploratory diameter borings with a truck-mounted drill rig equipped with hollow stem or solid flight augers.
- Record the soil conditions and log borings in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System.
- Backfill holes with soil cuttings. Excess soil cuttings will be spread in adjacent undeveloped areas away from the waterways.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Northern Service Center

EXEMPT STATUS:

□ Categorical Exemption

Class: 1, and 4

Section: 15301 and 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of the operation of mechanical equipment and minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible use beyond current levels; and the minor public alterations in the conditions of land and vegetation in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4.

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