## 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: BVM permit for fuel reduction

LOCATION: Manresa State Beach

**COUNTY:** Santa Cruz County

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Conduct vegetation modification and defensible space work on approximately one-half acre (.5) in Manresa State Beach adjacent to the private development of Sand Dollar Beach. Work will involve thinning understory vegetation, cutting some limbs and branches on existing trees, and removing dead, fallen debris from the area. Work will be conducted by park neighbors (or their contractors) through the issuance of a Boundary Vegetation Management Right of Entry permit.

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: 4

Section: 15304

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of the removal of "dead and down woody material with hand crews to reduce fire hazard" in the Department of Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR § 15300.4, and the minor public or private 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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