

State of California – The Resources Agency DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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 Diablo Range District 15751 Tesla Road Livermore, CA 94550

PROJECT TITLE: Issue Right of Entry permit to Union Pacific Railroad at Liquid Gold

LOCATION: McLaughlin Eastshore State Park (https://www.google.com/maps/McLaughlin Eastshore State Park)

COUNTY: Alameda

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Issue a right-of-entry (ROE) permit to Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) into McLaughlin Eastshore State Park (MESP) to allow UPRR to access approximately 0.14 acres of soil cap over the Liquid Gold superfund site that extends into MESP and facilitate fence realignment to fulfill a Environmental Protection Agency recommendation that the soil cap be fully enclosed by fencing.

UPRR will hire a contractor to install approximately 110' of fence that will replace approximately 100' of existing fence. Minimal vegetation will be cleared along fence line. The installed fence will be 6-foot high chain link with razor wire and tie in with existing perimeter fence. UPRR will coordinate all access and construction with East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD). EBRPD will oversee activities per the terms of the State Parks ROE.

All work conducted in association with the ROE permit will comply with all State and Federal environmental laws, including but not limited to the Endangered Species Act, California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and Section 5024 of the Public Resources Code.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Diablo Range District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption Class: 5

Section: 15305

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists minor alterations in land use limitations in an area with average slope of less than 20%, and is included as "issuance of permits" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4.

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