State of California – The Natural Resource Agency DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation

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PROJECT TITLE: Tolowa Dunes State Park Scotch Broom Removal Program

LOCATION: Tolowa Dunes State Park Scotch Broom Removal Project

(https://www.google.com/maps/TolowaDunesStatePark)

COUNTY: Del Norte

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Implement an invasive non-native plant species eradication program for Scotch broom (*Cytisus scoparius*), at Tolowa Dunes State Park while infestation is still at a size (approximately 1.63 acres) that can be easily managed and eradicated. Work will:

- Cut down larger plants to the ground using a handsaw or chainsaw,
- Excavate up to 24 inches in depth using shovels and other hand tools to remove roots,
- Pile removed plants on site or transport to an appropriate dumping area to decompose, and
- Monitor removal sites and maintain annually as necessary to ensure the treatment areas are not reinvaded.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: North Coast Redwoods District

EXEMPT STATUS:

☐ Categorical Exemption

Class: 4 Section: 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the minor public alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation that do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees and is included as "resource management projects" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4.

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