

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**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:** Marsh Creek Riparian Enhancement

**LOCATION:** Marsh Creek State Park **COUNTY:** Contra Costa

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**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Improve riparian habitat along approximately 350' of Marsh Creek by planting native trees and shrubs within riparian-upland transition zone of Marsh Creek State Park. Up to 235 1 gallon and 5- gallon container plants will be installed as follows:

- Use a 2-person auger or hand tools to excavate 18" deep and twice the size of the root ball diameter (up to 22" maximum width);
- Place one plant in each holes and backfill, creating 4" wide and 4" high irrigation basin;
- Compact any excess soil around the planting site;
- Apply a 3" thick mulch layer 3' in diameter around each plant;
- Use rebar to secure tree protection cages;
- Water plants up to weekly during dry months; and
- Remove protective caging after 2 years.

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

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

Class: 4 **EXEMPT STATUS:** Categorical Exemption Section: 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and or/vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees; 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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