

State of California – The Resources 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 Diablo Range District 15751 Tesla Road Livermore, CA 94550

PROJECT TITLE: Mitchell Canyon Barb Goatgrass Treatment

LOCATION: Mount Diablo State Park COUNTY: Contra Costa https://www.google.com/maps/@37.9181775,-121.9346575,16.25z

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Control the invasive barb goatgrass within approximately 15 acres of the annual non-native grasslands surrounding Bruce Lee and Murchio trails in order to ensure the seeds are not further spread throughout the park. Work will:

- Use a Bobcat skid-steer with rotary attachment and rubberized tracks to mow large high density patches;
- Use hand-held weed whackers to mow or hand pulling to remove smaller patches; and
- Follow-up treatment of regrowth with herbicide application or hand pulling.

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: 4 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 the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees, and is included as "resource management projects" and "stewardship projects" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR 15300.4.

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