State of California – The Natural 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 Bay Area District 845 Casa Grande Road Petaluma. CA 94954

PROJECT TITLE: Control Eucalyptus in Devil's Gulch

LOCATION: Samuel P. Taylor State Park (Devil's Gulch) **COUNTY:** Marin

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Control eucalyptus in the Devil's Gulch area of Samuel P. Taylor State Park to reduce fire threat and improve native biodiversity. Work will:

- Have tree professionals climb, cut, limb and top eucalyptus trees;
- Use cables to lower large cut pieces to minimize damage to adjacent native trees;
- Use basal bark and cut surface methods to apply limited herbicide to the trunks of the standing trees and to the stumps after removal, to prevent re-sprouting; and
- Lop and scatter cut materials, haul material to green waste, and/or pile burn, if feasible, to dispose of slash.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation **NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** Bay Area 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 and vegetation that does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes 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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