State of California Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research

FROM:

Department of Parks and Recreation

1400 Tenth Street

7806 Folsom-Auburn Road

Sacramento, CA 95814

Folsom, CA 95630

PROJECT TITLE: Folsom Point Memorial Tree Planting

LOCATION: Folsom Lake State Recreation Area

COUNTY: Sacramento

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Plant up to two (2) blue oak seedlings (*Quercus douglasii*) at Folsom Point within Folsom State Recreation Area to serve as a memorial. The family will purchase, plant, and care for the tree with guidance and supervision from Department staff. Hand tools will be used to:

- Scrape a ten-foot diameter area around planting site to bare mineral soil;
- Dig a flat-bottomed hole three times the width and approximate depth to accommodate the root ball;
- Mix excavated soil with weed free compost to backfill the hole;
- Place biodegradable weed fabric over bare soil and cover with weed free mulch and wood chips; and
- Use up to 4 metal t-posts to secure a temporary cage around each seedling to protect them from deer browsing.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Gold Fields District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Class: 14

Section: 15301 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the minor alteration of existing public or private structures or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels, and 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 except for forestry or agricultural purposes.

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