## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation Santa Cruz District 303 Big Trees Park Road Felton, CA 95018

**PROJECT TITLE:** Año Nuevo Water System Upgrades

**LOCATION:** Año Nuevo State Park **COUNTY:** San Mateo

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Upgrade the failing water system in Año Nuevo State Park to bring it up to code and ensure a continuous water supply. Work will:

- Remove and dispose of the existing hydropnuematic tank, valves, piping from the booster station, piping to the valve box, and the surrounding metal structure and foundation;
- Remove and dispose of the wooden valve box, lid, and pvc piping, well pump, discharge pipe, fittings, and valves;
- Disassemble the existing redwood tank, dispose of all hardware, fasteners, and piping, and salvage redwood boards;
- Remove and dispose of the tank foundation and all buried piping and conduit to and from the tank back to its point of origin;
- Relocate a 2,500 gal. poly tank to the location of the removed metal structure;
- Install a new hydropnuematic tank on the existing tank foundation;
- Install a new 300 gal. aeration tower at the original location of the moved 2500 gal. poly tank;
- Install a 24"x36" concrete valve box with an aluminum pedestrian-rated diamond plate lid in same location as the removed wooden valve box;
- Install a new 12ft x18ft x 10ft high concrete shed in the location of the old redwood tank;
- Excavate for a 1 cubic yard french drain, fill with 3/4" crushed rock encapsulated in geotextile fabric, and cover with at least 1 ft of native soil; and
- Grade exposed soil to slope away from the buildings, routing site drainage to the south and top with 3in. of class 2 ab and compact with a roller.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Santa Cruz District

## **EXEMPT STATUS:**

☐ Categorical Exemption

Class: 1, 2, 3, & 4 Section: 15301, 15302, 15303, & 15304

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of operation, repair, and maintenance of existing public or private structures, facilities or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels, included as "utility repairs or minor upgrades" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4; the replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site as the structure replaced and will have substantially the same purpose and capacity as the structure replaced; construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities and structures; and minor public or private alterations in the condition of land and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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