## State of California **Department of Parks and Recreation**

## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO**: State Clearinghouse Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street, Room 222 Sacramento, CA 95814-3044

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation Central Valley District 22708 Broadway Street Columbia, CA 95310

**PROJECT TITLE:** CBT Parking Lot Fence Replacement

**COUNTY:** Calaveras **LOCATION:** Calaveras Big Trees State Park

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT**: Replace the fencing around the Day use and Entrance Station parking areas in Calaveras Big Trees State Park with materials that will be more durable and less prone to seasonal degradation. The current fence is a split rail design that is continuously knocked over by snowplow piles during the winter season. The project will:

- Dismantle and remove old split rail fence and backfill post holes;
- Source boulders from various locations inside park boundary: and
- Place boulders above ground a few feet back from original fence line, along the same alignment.

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

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Central Valley District

## **EXEMPT STATUS:**

Categorical Exemption Class: 1 & 4 Section: 15301 & 15304

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of the minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels and is 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; and the minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes.

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