

**CEQA # 14368**  
**District Project # 635-25-013**



**State of California – The Resources Agency**  
**DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION**

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

**TO:** Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation  
 1400 Tenth Street  
 Sacramento, CA 95814

**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
 North Coast Redwoods District  
 PO Box 2006  
 Eureka, CA 95502-2006

**PROJECT TITLE:** See-tr'ee-ghin-d'vm-dvn Prescribed Burn

**LOCATION:** Jedediah Smith Redwoods State Park      **COUNTY:** Del Norte

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** This project proposes a vegetation management project on three (3) units (55-acres) of land in Jedediah Smith Redwoods State Park to remove non-native invasive species, restore native vegetation and increase forest resilience to fire and other stressors. Work will use hand and mechanical tools to complete the following work across the units:

- Use chainsaws to remove encroaching second-growth Douglas-firs (no greater than 12-in. dbh) from oak woodlands;
- Hand remove invasive species such as Scotch broom and French broom;
- Remove, as needed, California Bay Laurel and Coyote Brush;
- Use hand tools and small gas-powered tools to establish a mow-line along a powerline corridor; and
- Hand remove, or burn, a small stand of Medusa head grass.

Cut/removed vegetation may be strategically piled within units for burning or hauled off-site. Prescribed burning will be carried out every 2-7 years to maintain prairie habitat within the units.

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

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** North Coast Redwoods District

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

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

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of the operation, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, 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 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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