



**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
Santa Cruz District
303 Big Trees Road
Felton, CA 95018

PROJECT TITLE: Pescadero Marsh Trailhead Improvements

LOCATION: Pescadero State Beach

COUNTY: San Mateo

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Project consists of improvements at the Pescadero Marsh Trailhead and the north corner of the Central Pescadero parking lot at Pescadero State Beach for the purpose of improving public safety and enhancing visitor experience. At each location, work will:

- Excavate up to 20-in.deep to level a 12-ft by 20-ft area;
- Install 2 to 3 bollards to prevent vehicles from driving onto the trailhead surface;
- Install split rail to help delineate the trails; and
- Install one (1) bench.

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, 3 & 4 *Section:* 15301, 15303 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels; construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures, included as “fencing and gates” in the Department of Parks and Recreation’s list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4; 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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