



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
Gold Fields District
7806 Folsom-Auburn Road
Folsom, CA 95630

PROJECT TITLE: Coyote Gulch - Geotech Testing

LOCATION: Prairie City State Vehicular Recreation Area

COUNTY: Sacramento

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Conduct soil testing and percolation tests at Prairie City State Vehicular Recreation Area to identify soil conditions in the Coyote Gulch area to guide proposed improvements. Work will use a backhoe to excavate eight (8), 2 feet wide by up to 10 feet deep test pits. Representative soil samples will be taken and recorded, test pits will be back filled with excavated soils.

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:

Categorical Exemption *Class:* 1, 4 & 6 *Section:* 15301, 15304 & 15306

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the operation or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities or topographical features involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels; the minor public or private alterations in the condition of land and/or vegetation which do not include the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees, and consists of basic data collection, research and resource evaluation activities which do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource, and is included as "Resource management projects" and "soils and structural engineering tests" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR §15300.4.

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Barry Smith, signing for Steve Hilton
Chief Ranger
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