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CEQA # 14400
District Project # 635-25-004

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: Blue Slide Emergency Culvert Replacement Project

LOCATION: Humboldt Redwoods State Park **COUNTY:** Humboldt

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Project entailed the replacement of a culvert near the Blue Slide Day Use Area on Mattole Road in Humboldt Redwood State Park to alleviate and prevent current and future erosion issues to ensure the continued use of Mattole Road for park staff, visitors, and nearby community residents. Work included:

- Use an excavator to relocate K-rail sections to outside the excavation area;
- Excavate a trench down to the existing culvert, expose it, and remove the old pipe and dispose of it at a scrap metal facility;
- Backfill and compact any sink holes or washed-out areas;
- Install a new pipe with the same dimensions into the existing trench, matching the existing inlet and outlet configuration;
- Place appropriately sized rock slope protection at the culvert inlet to protect fill from saturation and scour and to direct flow into the culvert;
- Fill and compact, in 6-inch lifts, with a mechanical compactor until the trench is refilled; and
- Repave and reinstall K-rails.

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:
☒ Statutory Emergency Exemption *Section:* 15269

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: The project constitutes emergency repairs to service facilities necessary to maintain services essential to the public health safety or welfare and will not result in an increase in size or capacity.

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District Superintendent
North Coast Redwoods District