



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division
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Armando Quintero, Director

Notice of Exemption

To: Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044	From: California Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR), Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division P.O. Box 942896, Sacramento, CA 94296
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Project Title: BLM Arcata Field Office Ground Operations

Project Applicant: Bureau of Land Management (BLM) – Arcata Field Office

Project Location – Specific: Samoa Dunes Recreation Area

Project Location – City: Eureka, Arcata

Project Location – County: Humboldt

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project: The project supports the ongoing operation and maintenance of facilities and trails at Samoa Dunes Recreation Area. Ground operations include trail maintenance, open riding area maintenance, other facilities maintenance, and biological monitoring. Maintenance of an existing rock crawl area is also included in the project. The project will not expand existing facility use or operations.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: CDPR, OHMVR Division

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: BLM Arcata

Exempt Status: (check one)

- ☐ Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- ☐ Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- ☐ Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- ☒ Categorical Exemption (CE). 15301 Existing Facilities
- ☐ Statutory Exemptions. State code number.

Reasons why project is exempt: The project is exempt because it falls within the CE class listed above. Project activities described above do not have the potential for causing a significant adverse effect on the environment. A CEQA Exemption Review Form for the project is on file at the OHMVR Division office listed above. No exceptions to the exemption apply to this project.

For CEQA compliance inquiries, please contact the Lead Agency contact person below.

Lead Agency Contact Person:

Scott Soares, Senior Environmental Scientist

Scott Soares

Signature

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12/29/2025

Date:

☒ Signed by Lead Agency

Date received for filing at OPR:

☐ Signed by Applicant