



**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: Portola Visitor Center Ice Machine

LOCATION: Portola Redwoods State Park

COUNTY: San Mateo

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Project consists of installing an ice machine at Portola Redwoods State Park for the benefit of park visitors and staff. Work will:

- Install one (1) 30amp double-pole circuit breaker in an existing breaker box;
- Excavate to install approx. 90ft of electrical wiring from the breaker to an outside outlet for ice machine;
- Remove a 5ft x 5ft area of the existing brick patio and form and pour a 5-ft x 5-ft x 4-inch-thick reinforced concrete pad atop a 4-inch base of compacted gravel;
- Run approx. 22ft of ¾-in. PVC water supply line from an existing water shut off to the ice machine;
- Take removed bricks to the Portola Maintenance Yard for storage; and
- Spread excess soils over the existing dirt parking lot.

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 or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels; construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures; 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.

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