State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife

2025 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT

DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/25) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER: 40-12122025-264

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER *(If applicable)*

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE
SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY	ehughes@co.slo.ca.us	12/12/2025

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING	DOCUMENT NUMBER
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO	

PROJECT TITLE

FIRE SAFETY CLEARING AT BIDDLE PARK, LOPEZ LAKE RECREATIONAL AREA, AND SANTA MARGARITA LAKE RECREATIONAL AREA (ED25-0267)

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO	ekavanaugh@co.slo.ca.us	(805) 781-4089

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
1144 MONTEREY STREET	SAN LUIS OBISPO	CA	93408

PROJECT APPLICANT *(Check appropriate box)*

☒ Local Public Agency ☐ School District ☐ Other Special District ☐ State Agency ☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	$4,123.50	$
☐ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)	$2,968.75	$
☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW	$1,401.75	$

☒ Exempt from fee

- ☒ Notice of Exemption (attach)
- ☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)	$850.00	$
☐ County documentary handling fee		$
☐ Other		$

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash ☐ Credit ☐ Check ☒ Other **TOTAL RECEIVED** $ $0.00

SIGNATURE	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE
x M. Nelson	Monique Nelson, Deputy County Clerk-Recorder

Filed in County Clerk's Office
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San Luis Obispo - County Clerk-Recorder
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Fee: $ 0.00
By manelson, Deputy

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COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & BUILDING

Notice of Exemption

PLN-1123
3/22/2018

Project Title and No.: Fire safety clearing at Biddle Park, Lopez Lake Recreational Area, and Santa Margarita Lake Recreational Area (ED25-0267)

Project Location:	Project Applicant/Phone No./Email: The County of San Luis Obispo, Parks and Recreation Department, 805/781-4089, ekavanaugh@co.slo.ca.us
Biddle Park APN 047-021-019, Lopez Lake Recreation Area APNs and 048-051-019 and 048-071-016, and Santa Margarita Lake Recreation Area APNs: 070-341-019, 070-371-002.	**Applicant Address (Street, City, State, Zip):** 1144 Monterey St. San Luis Obispo, CA. 93408

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project

Cal Fire to perform brush clearing and downing dead tree limbs for fire prevention at Lopez Lake, Santa Margarita Lake, and Biddle Park. All the work will be done near roads, day use areas, and campgrounds with hand tools to avoid disturbance of Santa Margarita Manzanita.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: County of San Luis Obispo

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.{Sec. 115308; }
- ☐ Statutory Exemption {Sec.___}
- ☐ General Rule Exemption. {Sec. 15061(b)(3)}
- ☒ Not a Project it is repair and maintenance

Reasons why project is exempt: This project is exempt from CEQA under Section 15308 because it is fire safety maintenance within existing recreation areas and is part of normal operational and maintenance activities. The purpose of the maintenance work is to maintain, enhance, and protect the natural environment with the implementation of fuel reduction techniques. All work will be conducted within and adjacent to disturbed recreation areas. The maintenance activities will not impact sensitive species. Additionally, the maintenance work is not considered a project as it does not require a permit or other regulatory approvals as it is part of the standard operational activities for the three recreational areas.

Eric Hughes, Ehughes@co.slo.ca.us) (805) 781-1591

Lead Agency Contact Person **Telephone**

If filed by applicant:
1. Attach certified document of exemption finding
2. Has a notice of exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes ☐ No ☐

Signature: _____ Date: 6/19/2025

Name: Eric Hughes Title: Environmental Coordinator

On _____ the project was Approved by:

- ☐ Board of Supervisors
- ☐ Subdivision Review Board
- ☒ Other Planning Dept. Staff
- ☐ Planning Commission
- ☐ Planning Dept Hearing Officer