

District Project # 730-333-20250909

CEQA # 14428



**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
Central Valley District
22708 Broadway Street
Columbia, CA 95310

PROJECT TITLE: Rancho San Luis Sector HQ and Los Banos Information Signage

LOCATION: San Luis Reservoir State Recreation Area

COUNTY: Merced

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT: Project proposes to install a total of four (4) bilingual site-specific area maps with at San Luis Reservoir State Recreation Area to help orient park visitors upon arrival to park locations as well as provide water safety information. In three (3) areas of the park work will:

At the San Luis Reservoir Sector Headquarters (1 Map):

- Relocate the concrete trash receptacle and remove asphalt;
- Excavate and install form boards for a 6-ft x 6-ft x 4-ft concrete landing;
- Excavate two (2) 1-ft dia. x 2-ft deep post holes 72-in. apart and install two (2) 6x6 redwood posts;
- Pour and finish concrete landing that will tie into an existing concrete walk;
- Broom finish the concrete for a slip resistant surface and edge the pad to achieve a rounded finish;
- Backfill around posts with 4-in. base material for drainage and finish with concrete to support map panel roofing system;
- Frame roofing system and attach timberline DHZ hickory asphalt shingle and ridge cap; and
- Attach map panel insert.

In the Los Banos Creek Area (1 Map):

- Excavate to form a 10-ft x 10-ft x 6-in. concrete foundation and a 36-in. wide concrete walk connecting to the existing ADA path;
- Broom finish the concrete for a slip resistant surface and edge the pad to achieve a rounded finish;
- Install two (2) galvanized standoff post bases to accommodate two (2) 6x6 redwood support post;
- Frame roofing system with and attach timberline HDZ hickory shingle and ridge cap; and
- Attach map panel insert.

In the San Luis Creek Area (2 Maps):

- Excavate and form (2) 10-ft x 10-ft x 6-in. areas for concrete landings with 36-in. wide concrete walks to connect with existing ADA paths;
- Excavate four (4) 1-ft dia. x 2-ft deep post holes (2) for each site and install 6x6 redwood posts spaced 72-in. apart;
- Broom finish the concrete for a slip resistant surface and edge the pad to achieve a rounded finish;
- Backfill around posts with 4-in. of base material and finish with concrete to support map panel roofing system;
- Frame roofing system with and attach timberline HDZ hickory shingles and ridge caps; and
- Attach map panel inserts.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Central Valley District

EXEMPT STATUS:

☒ Categorical Exemption *Class:* 1, 3 & 4

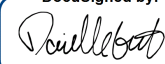
Section: 15301, 15303 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels; construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures and is included as "Construction or installation of park facilities, such as interpretive signing or panels" in the Department of Park and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR § 15300.4; 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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