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## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento, CA 95814 FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation

Northern Buttes District

400 Glen Drive Oroville, CA 95966

PROJECT TITLE: Post Carr Fire Catholic Cemetery Cleaning and Repair

**LOCATION**: Shasta State Historic Park

**COUNTY**: Shasta

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Clean and repair damaged headstones in the Catholic Cemetery in Shasta State Historic Park to restore this historic cemetery to pre-fire conditions. The project work will be split into three (3) phases and will include:

- Dry Cleaning: Use specific latex sponges to remove loose surface soot;
- Additional Cleaning: After further testing, use more aggressive cleaning methods other than dry cleaning to remove additional soot and other debris; and
- Physical Repairs: As needed, mend broken stone, reset loose stones in retaining walls and treat the active corrosion on the iron fences.

All work will follow the treatment plan outlined in the Historic Catholic Cemetery Post Fire Conservation Assessment Cleaning and Repair Recommendations; the district will hire a professional conservator to properly preserve the grave markers and clean them in a way that is appropriate, following the directives outlined in the report; and will also follow guidelines established by NPS Preservation Brief 48: Preserving Grave Markers in Historic Cemeteries.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Northern Buttes District

**EXEMPT STATUS:** 

☐ Categorical Exemption

Class: 1 & 31

Section: 15301 & 15331

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of the repair, maintenance or minor alteration of existing public or private structures or facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond current levels and, consists of projects limited to maintenance, repair or reconstruction of historical resources, in a manner consistent with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties with Guidelines for Preserving, Rehabilitating, Restoring, and Reconstructing Historic Buildings (1995), Weeks and Grimmer.

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