



State of California – The Resources Agency  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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**TO:** Office of Planning and Research  
1400 Tenth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
Bay Area District  
845 Casa Grande Road  
Petaluma, CA 94954

**PROJECT TITLE:** Beauty Ranch Oak Replanting

**LOCATION:** Jack London State Historic Park      **COUNTY:** Sonoma

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** Plant native oak tree seedlings in the Beauty Ranch area of Jack London State Historic Park to replace shade trees that have been lost over the years, to improve the visitor experience and establish the next generation of oak trees. Work will plant native oak saplings grown from acorns collected throughout Beauty Ranch. A total of 20-30 trees will be planted in groups of 2-5 in holes approximately 12 inches deep and eight inches in diameter. Plantings will be caged to protect from browsing and watered weekly for the first two years after planting. The trees will be thinned in the future, to encourage the growth of the healthiest tree in each group, with the goal to establish approximately ten trees total.

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

**EXEMPT STATUS:**  
Categorical Exemption      Class: 4      Section: 15304

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** Project consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land and vegetation that does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry purposes, and is included as "resource management projects" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR § 15300.4.

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