

Notice of Determination

Appendix D

To:

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Public Agency: California State Parks (CSP)
Address: One Capitol Mall, Suite 410
Sacramento, CA 95814
Contact: Environmental Coordinator
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Lead Agency (if different from above):
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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): 2010092023

Project Title: California State Parks Road and Trail Change-in-Use Evaluation Process Program EIR

Project Applicant: California State Parks (CSP)

Project Location (include county): All CA counties with CSP units

Project Description:
Please see attached project description.

This is to advise that the California State Parks (CSP) has approved the above
described project on 5/2/13 and has made the following determinations regarding the above
described project.

- 1. The project [] will [X] will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. [X] An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [X] were [] were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [X] was [] was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [] was [X] was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [X] were [] were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the
negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:
One Capitol Mall, Suite 410 Sacramento, CA 95814

Signature (Public Agency): Anthony L. Jackson Title: Director
Date: 5/2/13 Date Received for filing at OPP: RECEIVED

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California State Parks Road and Trail Change-in-Use Evaluation Process Program Environmental Impact Report

Description of the Proposed Project:

California State Parks (CSP) proposes to implement the Road and Trail Change-in-Use Evaluation Process (Process) throughout the State Park System. The Process is intended to comprehensively evaluate potential road and trail change-in-use proposals in CSP units, facilitate the review of those proposals in park units statewide. Off-highway motor vehicle recreation (OHMVR) areas are not covered under the Process. The Process provides CSP with an objective and systematic approach for making decisions regarding the addition or removal of non-motorized uses of a State Park System road or trail.

The Process would be applied to changes in use proposed by park personnel, other agencies, or user groups for specific roads and/or trails on specific CSP units. If these proposals qualified for implementation under the Process, they may be considered subsequent actions that are within the scope of the analysis in this Program EIR. Implementation of a change in use may require physical modifications to the proposed road or trail. Potential subsequent project actions that may result from recommendations for a change-in-use project through the Process include:

- Reconstruction or maintenance within an existing road or trail prism (i.e., encompasses the existing top of the road or trail's cut bank to the bottom of the fill slope);
- Installation of speed control devices, railings, user refuge areas, brush trimming/removal to improve sight distances, or other trail safety features specific for certain users;
- Rerouting of trail alignments to correct otherwise unsustainable road and trail conditions where realignment begins and ends at an existing route, extends only as far as necessary to avoid the unsustainable condition, and causes no significant environmental effects;
- Installation of hardened surfaces such as, but not limited to, aggregate surfacing, rock armoring, wooden boardwalks or puncheons, and bridges;
- Closure, decommissioning, and restoration of existing roads and trails to natural conditions;
- Conversion of existing roads to trails; and
- Appurtenant facilities (e.g. trailhead, point of access, parking improvements/control, signage) related to changes in recreational road or trail use where no additional natural landscape disturbance, substantial increase in capacity, or significant environmental effects would occur.

The Program EIR is programmatic in nature and does not specifically analyze individual projects. If additional change-in-use actions are proposed beyond those actions covered above, CSP will independently assess potential impacts of those measures and prepare any appropriate subsequent environmental documents.