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**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

11-0325-

**To:** County Clerk, Sonoma County  
 2300 County Center Drive, B177  
 Santa Rosa, California 95403

**From:** Sonoma County Regional Parks  
 2300 County Center Drive, Suite 120A  
 Santa Rosa, California 95403

The Sonoma County Regional Parks Department, pursuant to Section 23A-11 of the Sonoma County Code, determines that the following project is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act:

**Ridge Trail Extension Project**

**Project Title**

Los Guilicos County Center (APN 051-020-056, 051-020-056)

**Project Location - Specific**

Santa Rosa

Sonoma

**Project Location - City**

**Project Location - County**

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:**

The Sonoma County Regional Parks Department proposes to construct a multiple use pathway from the existing end of the Ridge Trail at Rancho Los Guilicos Road to State Highway 12 on the existing County-owned Los Guilicos facility. Currently pedestrians use the roadway between the highway and the facility. The pathway will provide a safe route of travel. The pathway will be approximately 1,250 feet in length and a total width of 6-8 feet, and surfaced in compacted gravel. The total cross-section will consist of surface cap of 4-8 inches of a ¾ inch minus aggregate base on top of a drainage lens of 6-18 inches of 4-18 inch minus mixed angular aggregate. The pathway will be cross-sloped to provide drainage from the trail surface. Surface runoff from the surrounding area will pass through the trail cross section either through the drainage lens, or through at-grade rolling dips. Shallow side swales of approximately 2-5 feet wide by 1 foot deep will assist with drainage.

Crosswalk improvements include ramps, striping, and signage at Rancho Los Guilicos Road and the Pythian Road/State Highway 12 intersection. In addition, new push-button signals will be installed for the Pythian Road/Highway 12 crosswalk and the signal timing adjusted for this. Existing asphalt substandard ramps will be replaced with concrete ramps that are disabled accessible. A 16-foot long extension to an existing 24" culvert will be installed in an existing roadside ditch to allow the trail to cross.

Existing 8 foot tall wire fencing will be relocated to approximately twenty feet to the northeast to enclose a nursery area by Rancho Los Guilicos Road. A metal gate will be installed at the existing wire fence by the State Highway. Regulatory and directional signage will also be installed. The pathway will be constructed on land that is already improved and/or disturbed. No trees will be removed as part of the project and no wetlands impacted.

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**Public Agency Approving Project**

**Person or Agency Carrying Out Project**

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 4/10/08

**Exempt Status**

- Ministerial [§21080(b)(1); §15268]
- Declared Emergency [§21080(b)(3); §15269(a)]
- Emergency Project [§21080(b)(4) Ministerial [§21080(b)(1); §15268); §15269(b)(c)]
- Categorical Exemption §§15301c: Minor alternation to existing facilities.

**Reasons why project is exempt:** The proposed project is categorically exempt under Section 15301 c of the State CEQA Guidelines. It is a minor change to the operations of an existing publicly owned facility involving negligible expansion of use.

*[Handwritten signature: Steve Ehret]*

**Contact Person:** Steve Ehret, Park Planner II  
 Sonoma County Regional Parks Department

**Telephone Number:** (707) 565-2041

**Date:** 3/25/11

Exhibit 5: Notice of Exemption



State of California—The Resources Agency  
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME  
**2011 ENVIRONMENTAL FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT**

RECEIPT#	<b>410089</b>
STATE CLEARING HOUSE # (if applicable)	—

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

LEAD AGENCY	<i>Sonoma County Regional Parks -</i>	DATE	<i>03/25/2011</i>
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING	<i>Sonoma County</i>	DOCUMENT NUMBER	<i>11-0325-1</i>

PROJECT TITLE	<i>Ridge Trail Extension Project.</i>		
PROJECT APPLICANT NAME	<i>Sonoma County Regional Parks Department.</i>		
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	PHONE NUMBER
<i>2300 County Center Dr. Ste 1100</i>	<i>Santa Rosa</i>	<i>CA</i>	<i>565 (707) 204</i>
			ZIP CODE
			<i>95403</i>

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box):

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

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)	\$2,839.25	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (ND)(MND)	\$2,044.00	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Application Fee Water Diversion (State Water Resources Control Board Only)	\$850.00	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Projects Subject to Certified Regulatory Programs (CRP)	\$965.50	\$ _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Administrative Fee	\$50.00	\$ <i>0</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Project that is exempt from fees		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption <i>Categorical</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> DFG No Effect Determination (Form attached)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		\$ _____

PAYMENT METHOD:

Cash   
  Credit   
  Check   
  Other *Co-agency exempt.*

TOTAL RECEIVED \$ *0*

SIGNATURE	TITLE
<i>C. J. [Signature]</i>	<i>Deputy Clerk</i>