

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION



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Marin County Parks and Open Space District 3501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 260, San Rafael, CA 94903 www.marincountyparks.org (415) 473-6387

To: Marin County Clerk

3501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 234

San Rafael, CA 94903

DATE:

February 4, 2025

PROJECT TITLE:

SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT – Seezdeh Bedar Celebration

PROJECT LOCATION:

McNears Beach Park. 201 Cantera Way, San Rafael, Marin County, California

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Deputy

A. Oxlaj Arevalo

ASSESSOR PARCEL:

184-010-16; 184-030-50; and 184-101-53

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of the Project: The proposed project consists of granting a special use permit to the Persian Society of Marin for the Seezdeh Bedar Celebration the McNears Beach Park and full use of parking areas. The event would occur on March 30, 2025 between 8am to 7pm. Set-up and take down would occur during the event hours. Approximately 1,500 participants are anticipated. The event would include amplified sound, the sale of food, drink, and/or merchandise, reserve more than one reservable group site at the same time, and would include amenities set up outside the reservable group sites.

Public Agency Approving Project: Marin County Parks

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project: Chris Chamberlain, Director and General Manager

Reasons for Exemption: Marin County Parks has reviewed the special event permit application in the context of McNears Beach Park and has determined that authorizing the permit the event is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act under the following sections of the California Administrative Code:

Section 15323: Normal Operations of Facilities for Public Gatherings. The project consists of issuing a special event permit at an existing facility for a public gathering. McNears Beach Park was designed with reservable space for this type of event and there is a past history of the facility being used for this purpose. There is a reasonable expectation that this event would not represent a change in the operation of the facility and that the event would not result in cumulative impacts; significant impacts on the environment due to unusual circumstances; affect the significance of historical resources. The project is not located within an officially designated scenic highway or on a hazardous waste site pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

Lead Agency Contact Person:

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION – LOCATION MAP McNears Beach Park – Seezdeh Bedar Celebration February 4, 2025



