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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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DATE: March 17, 2026
PROJECT TITLE: SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT – 2026 Summit Shorty Series
PROJECT LOCATION: 310 Smith Ranch Road, San Rafael, Marin County, California
ASSESSOR'S PARCEL: 155-121-013

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of the Project: The proposed project consists of granting a special use permit to Jim Hewett for the 2026 Summit Shorty Series at McInnis Park Area Nike Missile reservable site. The event would occur on March 11, March 25, April 1, April 15, April 22, and May 13, 2026, between 5pm to 7pm. Set-up and take down would take approximately 2 hours before and 30 minutes after on each day of the event. This event consists of a series of multi-lap mountain bike races on a one-mile-long course on existing trails within the park, which would be open to bikes only during the race events. Each event anticipates up to 100 participants, which would require approximately 75 parking spaces. The event would include amplified sound and the sale of food, drink, and/or merchandise. Amplified sound would not exceed the County of Marin's noise standards.

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 McInnis Lake 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 proposed project consists issuing a special event permit at an existing facility for a public gathering. McInnis Park was designed with reservable space for this type of event and there is a past history of this 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.

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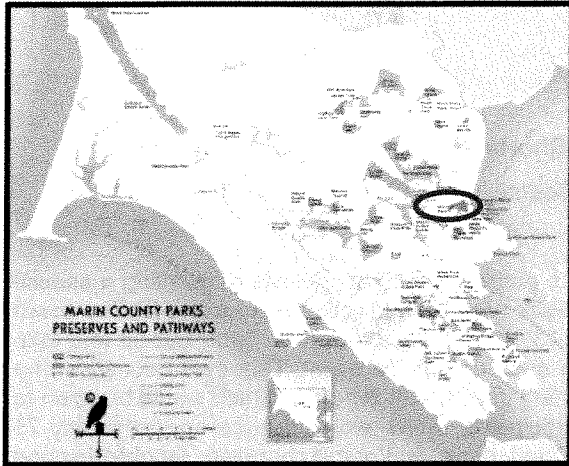
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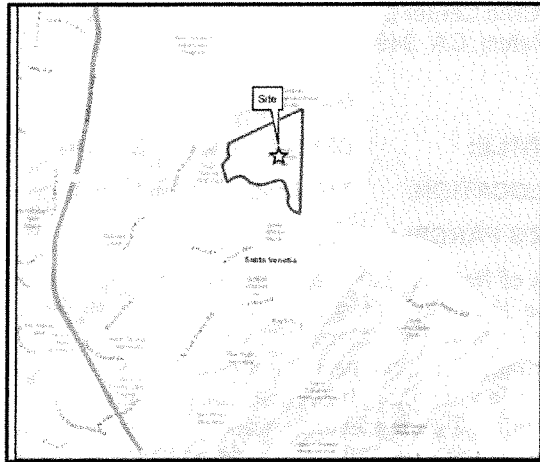
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION – LOCATION MAP

McINNIS Park – 2026 Summit Shorty Series

March 17, 2026



McInnis Park Regional Location



McInnis Park Location

County Park - McInnis
 310 Smith Ranch Rd.
 San Rafael, CA 94903

From Highway 101 go east on
 Smith Ranch Road for 1 mile

Map labels include: Tennis Court Entrance, Park Shop, Park Restrooms, Hillside Field, Mt. Tam Field, McInnis Park Golf Center, Clubhouse, and CANAL WATERWAY.