



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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To: Marin County Clerk
3501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 234
San Rafael, CA 94903

DATE: April 21, 2026

PROJECT TITLE: SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT – Stoked on Stafford, Central and East Bay

PROJECT LOCATION: Stafford Lake Park; 3549 Novato Boulevard, Novato, Unincorporated Marin County, CA

ASSESSOR'S PARCEL: 125-090-19

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of the Project: The proposed project consists of granting a special use permit to the NorCal Cycling League for the Stoked on Stafford, Central and East Bay cycling event at the Stafford Lake Park Area. This event will reserve the entire park and all available parking spaces. The event would occur on April 24 and April 25, 2026, from 6AM to 7:30PM. Set-up would occur on Thursday from 11AM to 6PM. Approximately 675 participants are anticipated. The event would include amplified sound, the sale of food, drink or merchandise, includes a fee for entry, and would include amenities set up outside of reservable group sites. The event is an annual mountain bicycling race for 6th-13th graders and attendance would be restricted to number of entries.


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 Stafford 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 project consists issuing a special event permit at an existing facility for a public gathering. Stafford Lake 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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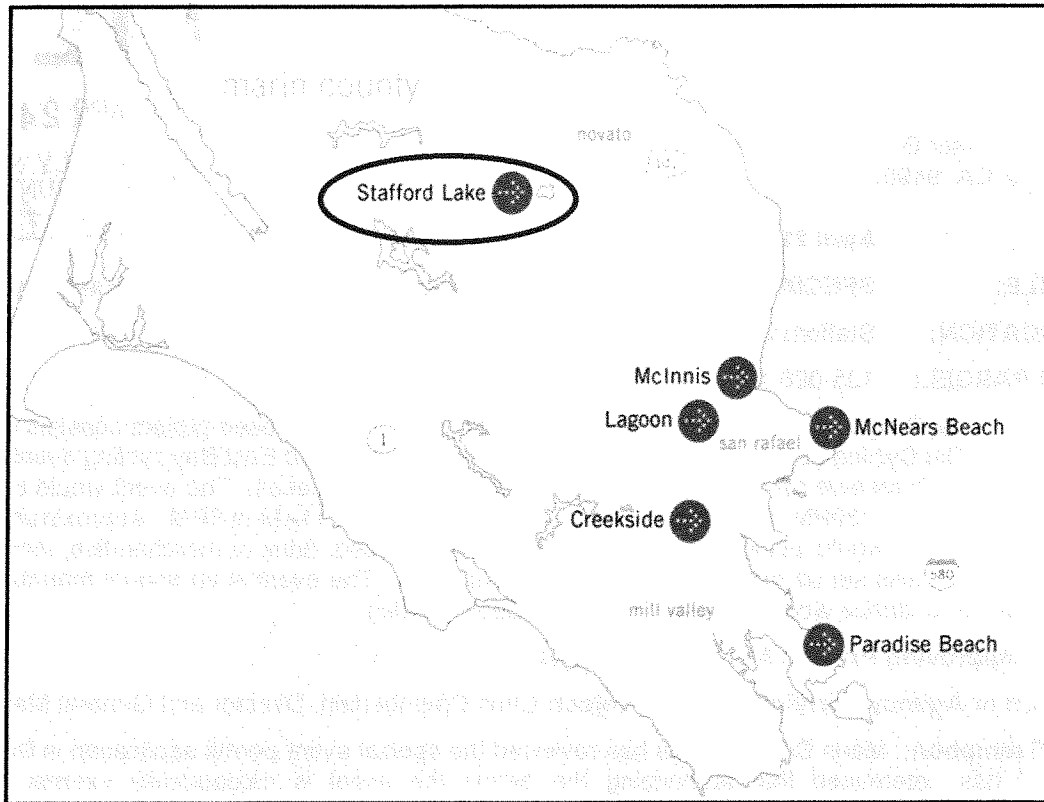
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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION – LOCATION MAP

Stafford Lake Park – Stoked on Stafford, Central and East Bay

April 21, 2026



County Park - Stafford Lake

3549 Novato Blvd
Novato, CA 94947

From Highway 101, take San Marin Drive to Novato Blvd, to Novato Blvd/Hicks Valley Rd, then go west past the Stafford Lake Dam

