



NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Date: October 15, 2026
Project Title: McInnis Courts Improvements Project
Project Location: McInnis Park, 350 Smith Ranch Road, San Rafael, CA 94903, Marin County, California
Assessor Parcel: 155-121-13

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of the Project: Marin County Parks (MCP) is proposing to renovate the existing pickleball and tennis courts at McInnis Park, improve ADA parking and access routes, install a new portable restroom and enclosure, and add site furnishings to enhance playing conditions and overall visitor experience. The project area is located at the existing tennis/pickleball courts and parking area at McInnis Park, approximately 680 feet north of Gallinas Creek.

The total area of disturbance area would be approximately 29,970 square feet, consisting of the following elements:

- Renovate the existing pickleball courts, which measure 108-foot by 125-foot, area totaling 13,276 square feet.
- Install and repaint the court surface.
- Repaint and restripe existing tennis courts in a 13,005 square foot area.
- Install new concrete ADA parking stalls in an area measuring 18 feet by 26 feet, area totaling 495 square feet.
- Install new concrete walkways and paving upgrades in a 2,700 square foot area. The walkways would be 6 to 8 feet in width, 256 feet in length, and 16-inches deep including concrete, baserock, and compacted soil. Walkway and paving upgrades would be consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act Guidelines (ADA) to provide an accessible pathway to connect the courts to the existing accessible parking stalls. The proposed project would include new site furnishings including benches, tables, receptacles, and a drinking fountain for visitors to use.
- Install 335 feet of interior court fencing consisting of a 4-foot-tall fence and gates to separate the pickleball courts and to replace a 92.5-foot section of a 10-foot-tall perimeter fence.
- Install an ADA portable restroom on a 160 square foot concrete pad with a wood enclosure.

Project implementation is anticipated to take 3 months between February and December 2027. Equipment may include but not limited to grading equipment, back hoes, front loaders, plate compactors, concrete trucks, asphalt equipment, cherry pickers, and small dump trucks. The existing courts will be closed to the public during project implementation.

Three unhealthy/dead ash trees (*Fraxinus* spp.) with an 8-inch diameter at breast height located adjacent to the existing courts would be removed. The proposed project would have no effect to wetlands and/or surface waters including creeks, streams, lakes, and San Pablo Bay. No special status habitats or species, or cultural or historical resources have been identified in the project area. For these reasons, no regulatory permit authorizations would be required. Best Management Practices that would be implemented include straw wattles for erosion control, and dust control. No nighttime work would be allowed.

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Public Agency Approving Project: Marin County Parks and Open Space District

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

Reasons for Exemption: Marin County Parks has reviewed the project along with its environmental setting and has determined it to be categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act under the following sections of the California Administrative Code:

Section 15301: Existing Facilities. The proposed project consists of the minor alteration of an existing recreation facility at McInnis Park that would result in a negligible or no expansion of the existing use relative to the original design and function.

Section 15303: New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures. The proposed project consists of the construction of new, small recreation facilities and the installation of small new equipment to support the recreation facilities.

Applicable to Both Exemptions: Implementation of the project would not result in cumulative impacts; significant impacts on the environment due to unusual circumstances; or affect the significance of historical resources. The proposed project is not located within an officially designated scenic highway or on a hazardous waste site pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5. Implementation of the proposed project would not result in cumulative impacts, significant impacts on the environment due to unusual circumstances, or affect the significance of historical resources.

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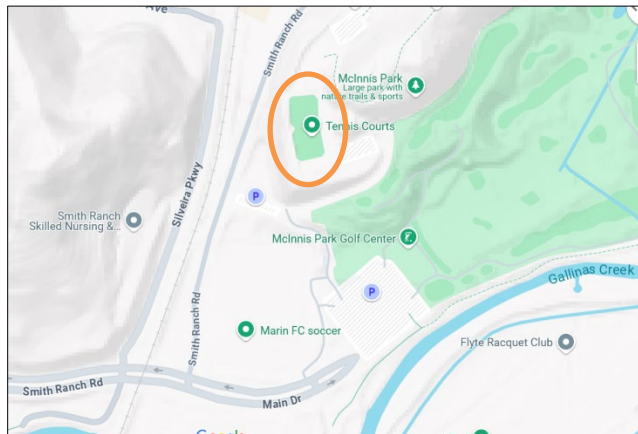


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McINNIS PARK COURTS IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

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Project Vicinity



Project Area



Proposed Site Plan



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