



## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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**Marin County Parks and Open Space District**  
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To: Marin County Clerk  
3501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 234  
San Rafael, CA 94903

**DATE:** June 6, 2022  
**PROJECT TITLE:** STAFFORD LAKE PARK: MARIN CYCLISTS 59<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MARIN CENTURY EVENT  
**PROJECT LOCATION:** 3549 Novato Boulevard, Novato, Unincorporated Marin County, California  
**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 for the 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Marin Century cycling event, sponsored by Marin Cyclists. The event would include five fully-supported routes, ranging from 25 – 120 miles for participants to choose from. The Marin Century is a charity event, with proceeds of \$35,000 distributed to 15 cycling and community group organizations last year. The Special Use Permit would include reservable sites 1 - 5 and approximately 1,500 parking spaces. The event would occur on August 6, 2022 between the hours of 5:00am – 8:00pm. Event set-up and take-down would occur on August 5 and 7, 2022 between 9:00am and 5:00pm. Approximately 2,000 – 2,200 participants are anticipated, which exceeds the capacity of a reservable site but can be accommodated given the nature of the event with participants riding the routes and not all congregating at the reservable sites for the duration of the event. The event would include amplified sound and may include the sale of food, drink, and merchandise.

**Public Agency Approving Project:** Marin County Parks

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out the Project:** Max Korten, Director of Marin County Parks

**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 proposed 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 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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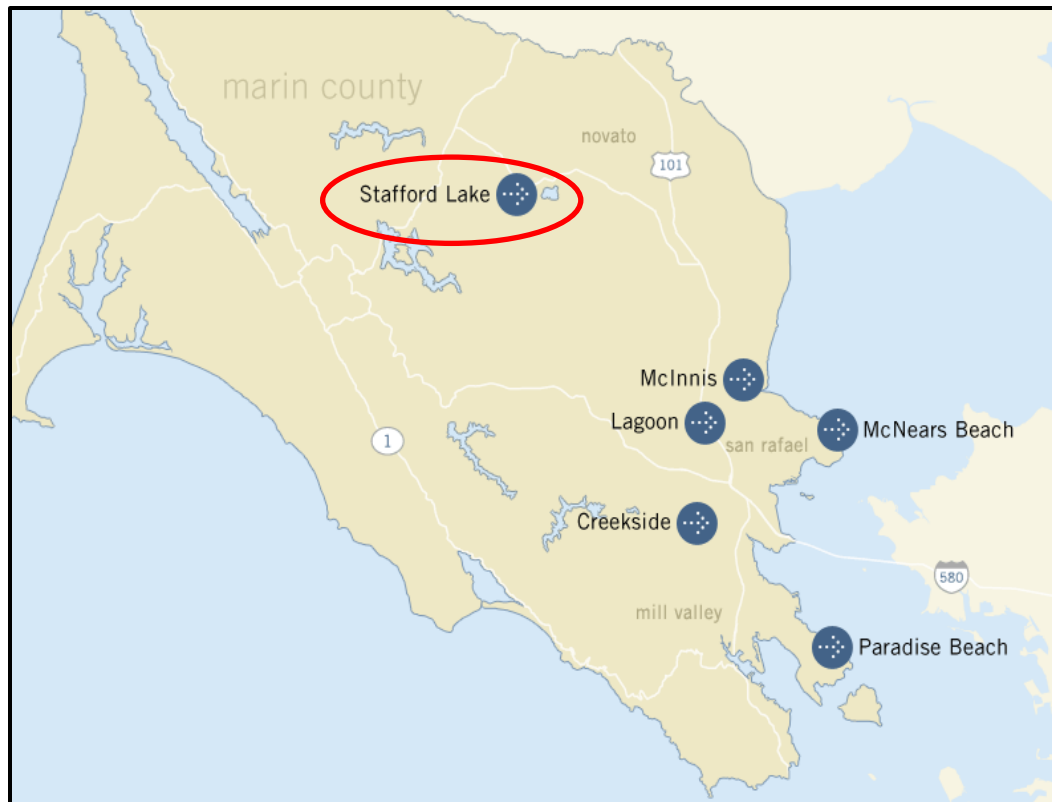
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## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION – LOCATION MAP

Stafford Lake Park – MARIN CYCLISTS 59<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL MARIN CENTURY EVENT

June 06, 2022



### 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

