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CEQA Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the County of Humboldt, Humboldt Bay Trail South Project

February 16, 2018

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15072 and Public Resources Code Section 21092, the County of Humboldt Department of Public Works is providing notice of intent to adopt a mitigated negative declaration (MND) of environmental impact for the "Humboldt Bay Trail South Project" as described here. The public is invited to comment on the proposed MND pursuant to the provisions of CEQA. The review period is 30 days and commences on February 16, 2018, and ends on March 19, 2018. Written comments must be submitted to the County of Humboldt Department of Public Works no later than 5:00 pm on March 19, 2018.

The Initial Study and proposed MND document is available for review during regular business hours at the County of Humboldt Department of Public Works located at 1106 Second Street in Eureka, California. The document is also available on the County's website for download at: <http://www.humboldtbytrail.info>. Per CEQA Guidelines Section 15072(g)(5), no known hazardous waste facilities or disposal sites exist along the project alignment.

The project generally consists of the construction and operation of a Class I bike path and cable barrier along the North Coast Railroad Authority (NCRA) and Caltrans U.S. Highway 101 corridor between Bracut and Eureka, and construction of a cable barrier between Bracut and Gannon Slough. The project is located along the NCRA and Caltrans U.S. Highway 101 corridor between Eureka and Brainard Slough, with the exception of a proposed levee trail segment around the California Redwood Company mill site. The project is generally located on the west/north side of U.S. Highway 101 and on the south/east side of the NCRA railroad corridor along the northeast shoreline of Humboldt Bay.

The County of Humboldt Department of Public Works will discuss the plan to complete the Humboldt Bay Trail between Eureka and Arcata at the Wharfinger Building, 1 Marina Way in Eureka, between 5:30 and 7:00 pm on February 27, 2018. For further information, please contact Hank Seemann, County of Humboldt Department of Public Works, Deputy Director at (707) 445-7741, or email at HSeemann@co.humboldt.ca.us.

The County of Humboldt plans to consider adoption of the MND at a regularly scheduled Board of Supervisors meeting on or around April 24, 2018, after 9:00 am, in the Supervisors Chambers (first floor), located at 825 5th Street, in Eureka.