

3.14 PUBLIC SERVICES

This section describes the environmental and regulatory setting for public services. It also describes existing conditions and potential impacts relative to public services that would result from implementation of the proposed project, and mitigation for potentially significant impacts, where feasible.

3.14.1 Environmental Setting

Fire Protection

There is a total of 39 fire departments providing fire protection to unincorporated communities and cities in Humboldt County, including the following (Humboldt County 2017c):

- 1 County Service Area;
- 7 Community Service Districts;
- 18 FPDs, one Resort Improvement District;
- 1 city fire department;
- 1 Joint Powers Authority that is comprised of a city and an FPD; and
- 12 fire companies in unincorporated towns not associated with local government agencies (including the Hoopa and Yurok Volunteer Fire Departments) that may be established pursuant to Sections 14825 through 14860 of the California Health and Safety Code.

The project area is within the jurisdiction of Humboldt No. 1 FPD (Humboldt #1 FPD) and served by the Humboldt Bay Fire Authority, which is a joint powers authority comprising Humboldt #1 FPD and the City of Eureka Fire Department. The Humboldt Bay FPD has five fire stations, serving Myrtle town, Bayview, Humboldt Hill, Cutten, Freshwater, the City of Eureka, and College of the Redwoods. In responding to emergencies, local fire departments work closely with law enforcement, public utilities, and ambulance service providers. Fire departments and ambulance services are dispatched to medical calls simultaneously. In most cases, fire departments arrive on scene prior to the ambulance and are expected to stabilize the patient, gather vital signs, and prepare the patient for transport to the hospital (Humboldt County 2017c).

Additionally, CAL FIRE has responsibilities for wildland fire protection and resource management. Since the proposed project is within an SRA (see Section 3.19, Wildfires), CAL FIRE is responsible for suppressing wildland fires within the project area; however, it is not the state's responsibility to provide fire protection services to any building or structure located within an SRA, unless CAL FIRE has entered into a cooperative agreement with a local agency for those purposes, pursuant to Section 4142 of the PRC (PRC Section 4136). However, CAL FIRE may provide, when available and to the extent that it does not require additional funds, rescue, first aid, and other emergency services to the public in SRAs (PRC Section 4114) (Humboldt County 2017c).



Police Protection

Law enforcement services within the County are provided by each of the seven cities within their jurisdictional boundaries and by the Hoopa and Yurok Tribe within their respective tribal lands. The County Sheriff's Office provides a variety of public safety services countywide, including court and corrections services and law enforcement services for the unincorporated areas of the County. Additionally, the California Highway Patrol is responsible for enforcing traffic laws on roadways within the unincorporated areas and on state highways throughout the County (Humboldt County 2017c).

While specific data on response times can be difficult to determine for rural or semi-rural areas, the County Sheriff's Office has provided estimates of response times for service calls originating in communities within the County which are included in the County General Plan. The cities of Eureka and Arcata have set a standard five-minute response time to calls for service. Industry standards recommend five- to 10-minute response times. The maximum responses times within the proposed project area is 30 minutes (Humboldt County 2017c).

The nearest police station to the project site is the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office Main Station, located approximately 2.4 miles northwest of the site, at 826 4th Street, in Eureka, California.

Schools

There are currently 32 public school districts in the County. In addition, there are schools operated by the County Office of Education, as well as private schools. The largest district in the County in terms of enrollment is the Eureka City Unified School District, which has almost 4,000 students. There are four other districts with enrollments over 1,000 students. Average district enrollment in the County is approximately 550 students per district (Humboldt County 2017c).

The project area is located within the Cutten Elementary School District and the Eureka City Unified Schools District, which has experienced declining enrollment since 1990 (6,121 students enrolled in 1990 and 3,734 students enrolled in 2015) (Humboldt County 2017c). The schools that would likely serve the project area include the following:

- **Elementary/Middle School:** Ridgewood School (Kindergarten through 2nd grade) and Cutten Elementary School (3rd through 6th Grades), total enrollment of 646 students (Cutten Elementary School District 2020); Winship Middle School, total enrollment of 375 students (School Digger 2020a)
- **High School:** Zoe Barnum High School, total enrollment of 72 students (School Digger 2020b) or Eureka Senior High, total enrollment of 1,130 students (School Digger 2020c)

Parks

More than 20 percent of the County's 2.3 million acres are protected open space, forests, and recreational areas. These areas provide needed recreational opportunities for residents of neighboring counties and visitors from all over the world. Parks and open space within the County, include (Humboldt County 2017c):

- 4 federal parks and beaches;
- 10 state parks (three of which are encompassed by Redwood National Park); and
- 16 County parks, beaches, recreational areas and reserves.



Several agencies manage these parks and open space resources in the County, including several Native American tribes, BLM, USFWS, U.S. Forest Service, CDFW, California State Parks Department, local city governments, the County, and special districts.

The proposed project is directly adjacent to the Redwood Fields Park, which is a 12-acre, non-profit park that includes ballfields, playgrounds, picnic areas, and bocce courts. Additionally, the proposed project is adjacent to the McKay Community Forest, which provides forested trails and other recreational opportunities for the surrounding community.

Library

There are multiple public libraries throughout the County which provide service to all residents. The nearest public library to the project site is the Main Humboldt County Library, located approximately 3 miles to the north, at 1313 3rd Street, in Eureka.

3.14.2 Regulatory Setting

State

California Building Standards Code and California Fire Code

The California Building Standards Code (CCR, Title 24) is a compilation of building standards, including fire safety standards for new buildings, which are provided in the California Fire Code (CCR, Title 24, Part 9). California Building Standards Code standards are based on building standards which have been adopted by state agencies without change from a national model code; building standards based on national model code that have been changed to address particular California conditions; and building standards authorized by the California legislature but are not covered by the national model code. The 2019 edition of the California Building Standards Code became effective on January 1, 2020. The building standards in the California Building Standards Code apply to all locations in California, except where more stringent standards have been adopted by state agencies and local governing bodies. The 2019 California Fire Code also went into effect on January 1, 2020. Typical fire safety requirements of the California Fire Code include: the installation of fire sprinklers in all high-rise buildings; the establishment of fire resistance standards for fire doors, building materials, and particular types of construction; and the clearance of debris and vegetation within a prescribed distance from occupied structures within wildfire hazard areas.

Quimby Act

Section 66477 of the California Government Code, also known as the Quimby Act, was enacted in 1965 in an effort to promote the availability of park and open space areas in California. The Quimby Act authorizes cities and counties to enact ordinances requiring the dedication of land, or the payment of fees for park and/or recreational facilities in lieu thereof, or both, by developers of residential subdivisions as a conditions to the approval of a tentative map or parcel map. The Quimby Act requires the provision of three acres of park area per 1,000 persons residing within a subdivision, unless the amount of existing neighborhood and community park exceeds that limit, in which case the city or county may adopt a higher standard not to exceed five acres per 1,000 residents. The Quimby Act also specific acceptable uses and expenditures of funds from fees.



Local

Humboldt County General Plan

The County General Plan, adopted October 23, 2017, contains several policies that directly pertain to public services, including the following:

Goal S-G4. Fire Risk and Loss. Development designed to reduce the risk of structural and wildland fires supported by fire protection services that minimize the potential for loss of life, property, and natural resources.

- **Policy S-P1: Reduce the Potential for Loss.** Plan land uses and regulate new development to reduce the potential for loss of life, injury, property damage, and economic and social dislocations resulting from natural and manmade hazards, including but not limited to, steep slopes, unstable soils areas, active earthquake faults, wildland fire risk areas, airport influence areas, military operating areas, flood plains, and tsunami run-up areas.
- **Policy S-P7: Structural Hazards.** The County shall protect life and property by applying and enforcing state adopted building codes and Alquist-Priolo requirements to new construction.
- **Policy S-P19: Conformance with State Responsibility Areas (SRA) Fire Safe Regulations.** Development shall conform to Humboldt County SRA Fire Safe Regulations.
- **Policy S-P27: Alternative Owner Builder High and Very High Fire Severity Zones.** Alternative Owner Builder (AOB) permits for construction of new dwellings in high and very high fire severity zones shall be required to comply with the materials and construction methods for exterior wildfire exposures of the California Residential Code (CRC) and chapter 7-A of the California Building Code (CBC) as amended, unless the construction materials can be found to be in substantial conformance with the California Building Codes by the Humboldt County Building Official.

Goal IS-G1. Adequate Infrastructure and Services. Well maintained public infrastructure and services supporting existing development.

- **Policy IS-P3: Requirements for Discretionary Development.** The adequacy of public infrastructure and services for discretionary development greater than a single-family residence and/or second unit shall be assessed relative to service standards adopted by the Board of Supervisors, local service providers, and state and federal agencies. Such discretionary development may be approved if it can be found that:
 - Existing services are adequate; or
 - Adequacy will be attained concurrent with project implementation through project conditions; or
 - Adequacy will be obtained over a finite time period through the implementation of a defined capital improvement or service development plan; or
 - Evidence in the records supports a finding that approval will not adversely impact health, welfare, and safety or plans to provide infrastructure or services to the community.
- **Policy IS-P15: Expanded Fire Protection Services.** Encourage and support the expansion of existing special district boundaries, or the formation of County Service Areas with agreements to fund contract fire services, as a means to provide fire protection services to areas outside of fire district boundaries.



- **Policy IS-P22: County Library Facilities and Services.** Continue to assess needs of the County's residents and expand library facilities and services as necessary.
- **Policy IS-P25: Fire Service Impacts form New Development.** During review of discretionary permits within fire related district boundaries or identified response areas, utilize recommendations from the appropriate local fire chief as feasible mitigation measures to reduce impacts to emergency response and fire suppression services from new development.

Additionally, the following standard from the Humboldt County General Plan would apply to the proposed project:

- **Standard FR-S2. Forestland-Residential Interface (FRI)**
 - Require new residential subdivisions adjacent to [timber production zones (TPZ)] and public forestlands to include forested buffers and building setbacks between residential uses and adjacent timberlands to minimize use conflicts and safety hazards and, if necessary, require fire breaks around all or a portion of the development in consultation with CAL FIRE.
 - For residential development, require compliance with fire safe standards, and ongoing fire protection management programs developed by qualified experts.
 - For residential development in high and very high fire severity zones, require the establishment and maintenance of fire breaks and open space adjacent to forestlands, consistent with CAL FIRE recommendations, and ongoing fire protection management programs developed by qualified experts to ensure defensible space.

Humboldt County Code

Parkland

Section 314-110.1, Parkland Dedication of the County Code, includes parkland requirements for future subdivisions. As a condition of approval by the County, a subdivision project shall satisfy the following requirements as they relate to the proposed project:

- 110.1.3.1 For new subdivisions containing fifty-one (51) or more parcels: (Former Section CZ#A314-29(C)(1))
 - 110.1.3.1.1. An offer of dedication of a portion of the land planned for development to a public or private non-profit agency for public park or recreation use as identified in the County General Plan, according to the formula and standards set forth in subsections 313-110.1.4 and 313-110.1.5, trails and support facilities identified in the County Trails Plan, and coastal access as identified in the access component of the Coastal Land Use Plan; or (Former Section CZ#A314-29(C)(1); Amended by Ord. 2167, Sec. 29, 4/7/98)
 - 110.1.3.1.2. An in lieu fee in accordance with the provisions of subsection 313-110.1.6, to provide an appropriate contribution to public parks or recreation. It shall be the County's option to decide whether a dedication of land or payment of in lieu fees shall be required. (Former Section CZ#A314-29(C)(1))



Fire Protection and Impact Fees

With respect to fire protection and impact fees, future design and construction of structures, subdivisions and developments in the SRA are regulated by the standards provided in Title III, Land Use and Development Division 11 - Fire Safe Regulations (herein referred to as the Fire Safe Regulations), as authorized by Section 4290 of the PRC. These standards include provisions for basic emergency access and perimeter wildlife protection measures, signing and building number requirements, and private water supply reserve requirements for emergency fire use.

Additionally, Title III, Land Use and Development, Division 2 - Subdivision Regulations, include fire district development impact fee requirements for new development. This code states the following regarding establishment of fees:

Pursuant to this Chapter, the Board of Supervisors may establish a Fire District Development impact fee for all non-exempt Development within the unincorporated areas of the County and within the boundaries of a Fire District. The Board of Supervisors shall establish the fee and the amount of the fee for a Fire District by separate ordinance at a publicly noticed meeting upon the completion by the Fire District of (1) the requirements set forth in section 3210-5 and (2) an adequate study commissioned, adopted, and provided by such District. The study shall establish a reasonable development impact fee for the District, demonstrate by competent analysis the reasonable relationship between the amount of such fee and the impacts of such development, and satisfy the statutory requirements for fees for development projects contained in chapter 5 of Division 1 of Title 7 of the Government Code. Any action to amend the ordinance levying or increasing such fee for any Fire District shall follow the procedures set forth in this Chapter and in Government Code sections 66016 et seq, and any subsequent amendments, including, without limitation, notice, public hearing and effective date provisions.

3.14.3 Methodology for Analysis

The applicable public services regulations were reviewed, as well as available data from County and other local databases, in order to complete the analysis provided herein. These regulations and databases were analyzed in conjunction with the thresholds of significance identified below.

3.14.4 Thresholds of Significance

The CEQA Guidelines' Appendix G Environmental Checklist was assessed during the NOP scoping process to identify the proposed project components that have the potential to cause a significant impact. The following thresholds of significance were used to determine if further evaluation within this EIR was warranted to ascertain whether the proposed project may:

- Result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service rations, response times, or other performance objectives for any of the public services:
 - Fire protection
 - Police protection



- Schools
- Parks
- Other public facilities

3.14.5 Project Impact Analysis and Mitigation Measures

This section analyzes the proposed project's potential to result in significant impacts to public services systems. When a potential impact was determined to be potentially significant, feasible mitigation measures were identified to reduce or avoid that impact.

New or Physically Altered Governmental Facilities

Impact PS-1:	<p>The proposed project would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times, or other performance objectives for any of the public services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fire protection• Police protection• Schools• Parks• Other public facilities
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Impact Analysis ***Fire Protection***

Construction

As discussed in Section 3.9, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, construction of the proposed project would result in a less than significant impact related to accidental fires with compliance with federal, state, and local regulatory requirements. As such, construction impacts related to fire protection during construction of the proposed project would not result in the need for new or physically altered fire protection throughout construction of the proposed project. In addition, MM TRANS-1, Traffic Management Plan, would be implemented to ensure emergency access is available at all times. The impact would be less than significant.

Operation

The proposed project could result in the need for new or expanded fire protection services, due to the increase in residences and commercial units associated with the development. The new water storage tank would not result in the need for new or expanded fire protection services; therefore, it is not considered further in this analysis. The Humboldt Bay FPD currently provides fire protection and emergency medical services to the project site and the surrounding area. The Humboldt Bay FPD would remain the most logical provider for fire protection and emergency medical response services within the project area. The nearest fire station to the project site is the Humboldt Bay Fire Station 5, which is



located approximately 0.6 mile northeast of the project site at 3455 Harris Street, Eureka, California 95503. The Humboldt Bay FPD does not state response time standards in their strategic plan or on their website; however, they do state that they respond to approximately 6,000 calls for service each year throughout the five fire stations in their district (Humboldt Bay Fire 2020a). Additionally, there are approximately 56 sworn employees and four civilian employees who report to the Humboldt FPD, four fire truck engines staffed with three personnel, and a four-person staffed ladder truck.

In addition, in accordance with the fire protection-related goals and policies set forth in the County General Plan, Community Infrastructure and Services Element, as listed in the Regulatory Setting of this section above, the County would continue to monitor the demand for existing and projected fire facilities and coordinate the development of new fire facilities to be phased with growth. The proposed project is projected to add 778 new residents to the County's current population of 136,373 persons (USCB 2018), which would result in a less than 1 percent increase in the total population of the County. Further, the Humboldt Bay FPD has reviewed the proposed project and did not identify the need for expanded or new facilities required to serve the proposed project (personal communication, Humboldt Bay Fire 2020b). As such, the increase in population from the proposed project would not overburden fire protection services capabilities.

Based on the analysis above, the proposed project would not require the addition of a new fire station or the expansion, consolidation, or relocation of an existing facility in order to maintain service. Therefore, construction and operation of the proposed project would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which would cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable fire protection services. The impact would be less than significant.

Police Protection

Construction

Construction of the proposed project would not generate a permanent population on the proposed project site that would substantially increase the police protection service demands in the area. The existing uses in the area (nearby park and residential units) currently generate a demand for police protection services. Construction sites can be sources of nuisances and hazards and invite theft and vandalism. When not properly secured, construction sites could contribute to a temporary increase for police protection services. However, standard construction security measures, including security fencing, lighting, and locked entry to the project site, would be incorporated into the project design in order to deter theft and vandalism. Therefore, construction of the proposed project would not result in substantial adverse impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered government facilities, the construction of which would cause significant environmental impacts. This impact would be less than significant.

Operation

The proposed project would introduce an increased residential population and new commercial units, which would potentially increase the police service need in the area. The new water storage tank would not result in the need for new or expanded police protection services; therefore, it is not considered further in this analysis. The nearest police station to the project site is the Humboldt County Sheriff's Main Office, located approximately 2.4 miles northwest of the project site, at 826 4th Street, in Eureka. There are currently 256 employees, 75 sworn deputies, and 87 correctional deputies (Humboldt County



Sheriff's Office 2019). As discussed in the County General Plan, industry standards recommend five to 10 minute response times for police protection services, and the City of Eureka has set a standard of a five-minute response to calls for service (Humboldt County 2017a). According to the County Sheriff's Office policy manual, minimum staffing levels should result in the scheduling of at least one regular supervisor on duty whenever possible. Watch Commanders ensure that at least one field supervisor is deployed during each watch. Furthermore, the Sheriff's Office Reserve Unit supplements and assists regular sworn sheriff's deputies in their duties. This unit provides professional, sworn volunteer reserve deputies who can augment regular staffing levels (Humboldt County Sheriff's Office 2018).

The proposed project would add 778 new residents to the County's current population of 136,373 persons (USCB 2018), which would represent less than 1 percent of the total population of the County. After review of the proposed project, the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office confirmed that the current law enforcement facilities and number of personnel are adequate to serve the proposed project (personal communication, Sheriff William F. Honsal, 2020). However, as expected with the increase in population, if there is a potential for an increase in service requests in the future, additional staffing may be needed. As discussed in the County General Plan, additional police office facilities, equipment, and personnel are currently being planned to accommodate growth in the next 20 years. Furthermore, the Humboldt County Sheriff's department completes an annual review an evaluation of staffing and calls that identifies additional resource needs for the County. The General Plan Community Infrastructure and Services Element also includes policies to monitor law enforcement needs and coverage, and to work with the Sheriff to secure funding sources to ensure that facilities are available as service demand increases as a result of future growth. The proposed project would be phased over 15 to 20 years and, therefore, the number of calls exceeding resources at this time is speculative for further evaluation. The County, as part of its future growth planning, would continue to work with the Sheriff's Office to assess the need for additional staffing or facilities needed to service the proposed project.

Based on the analysis above, the proposed project would not require the addition, expansion, consolidation, or relocation of existing police facilities in order to maintain service. Therefore, construction and operation of the proposed project would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which would cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable police protection services. The impact would be less than significant.

Schools

Construction

Construction of the proposed project would be phased over 10 to 20 years, and it is expected that some students would attend schools while other phases are being developed. The development in phases would follow logical development of roads, sidewalks, and utility infrastructure. In addition, construction areas would be fenced to avoid conflict with developed phases. As noted in MM TRANS-1, Traffic Management Plan, the plan would be updated based on actual site conditions and construction activity to ensure safety and access at all times for uses already developed. The impact would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.



Operation

The proposed project would generate students through the construction of 320 new mixed-income dwelling units that are expected to attend. The new water storage tank would not result in the need for new or expanded school services; therefore, it is not considered further in this analysis. The schools that would likely serve the project area include the following:

- **Elementary School/Middle:** Ridgewood School (Kindergarten through 2nd grade) and Cutten Elementary School (3rd through 6th Grades), total enrollment of 646 students (Cutten Elementary School District 2020); Winship Middle School, total enrollment of 375 students (School Digger 2020a)
- **High School:** Zoe Barnum High School, total enrollment of 72 students (School Digger 2020b) or Eureka Senior High, total enrollment of 1,130 students (School Digger 2020c)

Based on the average statewide student yield factors from the enrollment certification/projection school facility program (State Allocation Board 50-01), elementary school districts should account for 0.5 student per dwelling unit and high school districts should account for 0.2 student per dwelling unit. From these ratios, the proposed project's 320 dwelling units would be assumed to produce 160 new elementary and middle school students and 64 new high school students to the area. Based on historic enrollment for the schools in the area and the fact that enrollment in the County in general has declined (Humboldt County 2017c), adequate capacity exists to serve the proposed project's project increase in 224 students to the area. Furthermore, this analysis does not take into consideration that some students will attend private schools. However, pursuant to SB 50, and as required by MM PS-1, the project Applicant would be required to pay development fees for schools to the Eureka City Unified School District prior to the issuance of the proposed project's building permit. Pursuant to Government Code Section 65995, the payment of these fees is considered full and complete mitigation of project-related school impacts. Therefore, payment of applicable development school fees to the Eureka City Unified School District would offset the potential impact of additional student enrollment at schools serving the project site. Accordingly, with adherence to existing regulations and with MM PS-1 incorporated, impacts on schools would be less than significant.

Based on the analysis above, the proposed project would not require the addition, expansion, consolidation, or relocation of school facilities in order to maintain service. Therefore, construction and operation of the proposed project would not result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which would cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable school services. The impact would be less than significant with mitigation incorporated.

Parks and Other Public Facilities

Construction

Construction of the proposed project would not affect the current use or result in changes to the existing Redwood Fields Park. During construction, there may be intermittent disturbance related to access to Redwood Fields Park, which could deter people from using the park or result in increased use at other nearby parks. As such, implementation of MM TRANS-1, Traffic Management Plan, would be required in order to ensure that access is maintained for Redwood Fields Park throughout the construction period of the proposed project. MM TRANS-1 would include provisions for detours or signage, if necessary, in



order to maintain public access to Redwood Fields Park. As such, construction of the proposed project would not cause physical impacts or result in alterations to any parks or changes in access with MM TRANS-1 incorporated. The impact would be less than significant.

Operation

The proposed project would introduce new residents and commercial users in the area, which could require or necessitate new or expanded parks to meet service ratios. The new water storage tank would not result in the need for new or expanded park facilities; therefore, it is not considered further in this analysis. The current County Zoning Regulations (Section 314-110.1 Parkland Dedication) require that residential subdivisions offer to dedicate land to a public or private non-profit agency for public park or recreation use or pay in-lieu fees to provide an appropriate contribution to public parks or recreation, pursuant to the Quimby Act (Government Code section 66477). This current Parkland Dedication program would require that residential subdivisions in the Eureka area to make fair share contributions towards new park facilities or rehabilitating existing park facilities. These contributions would serve to limit the deterioration of existing facilities in these areas.

The proposed project would include 21.73 acres as permanent open space to be preserved through the establishment of a permanent easement to be owned by the County or conveyance in fee to the County that would satisfy the Quimby Act requirements. Additionally, the proposed project would provide access points that would connect future trails to the McKay Community Forest. Trail linkages and construction of trail segments within the development will occur within dedicated trail easements. Residents, visitors, and employees of the project would likely utilize the open space and recreational opportunities provided by the project and those that are in close proximity, such as Redwood Fields Park and McKay Community Forest. Therefore, because the proposed would incorporate open space into the proposed project, which would be in compliance with state and local parkland regulations, impacts to parks and recreational facilities would be less than significant, and no mitigation measures would be required.

Libraries

The proposed project is projected to add 778 new residents to the County's current population of 136,373 persons (USCB 2018), which would represent less than 1 percent of the total population of the County. Although this is a very small percentage of the County's total population, the increase in 778 new residents could result in increased use of local libraries. The new water storage tank would not result in the need for new or expanded library facilities; therefore, it is not considered further in this analysis. Similarly, construction of the proposed project would not impact access to any libraries, due to their distance from the project site. The nearest public library to the project site is the Main Humboldt County Library, located approximately 3 miles to the north, at 1313 3rd Street, in Eureka. This library would likely serve the new residents, as needed, and the new residents would also be able to access some of the library services remotely through the library's website. It is unlikely the additional residents in the area would necessitate the need for expanded library services in the area. Therefore, this impact would be less than significant.

Level of Significance Before Mitigation

Potentially Significant Impact.



Mitigation Measures

MM PS-1: Development Impact Fee-Schools: Prior to issuance of building permits, the project Applicant shall provide the Eureka City Unified School District with all applicable school development fees in accordance with the latest adopted fee schedule. The Applicant shall submit a receipt to the County of Humboldt prior to issuance of building permits verifying that all fees have been paid.

MM TRANS-1 would also be required.

Level of Significance After Mitigation

Less Than Significant Impact with Mitigation Incorporated.

