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Notice of Exemption

2019078125

Project Title: Tompkins Memorial Trail Network Improvements and Maintenance

Project Location: Northstar Community Services District Boundaries within Sections 29, 30, 31, 32, T17N,R17E, Sections 5,6, T16N,R17E MDB&M

County: Placer

CEQA Lead Agency: Northstar Community Services District

Project Description: The Northstar Community Services District currently maintains 17.89 miles of earthen trail as part of the Tompkins Memorial Trail (TMT) network. The TMT network is largely developed; however, from time to time minor extensions are proposed to provide connectivity between existing neighborhoods and newly developed subdivisions. Extensions are developed as 5-foot-wide unpaved, native earth trails, and construction activities occur within an approximately 8-foot-wide area of disturbance. Maintenance of the TMT network occurs regularly in the summer months.

This project is categorically exempt from CEQA guidelines under 14 CCR § 15304/Class 4 example (b)

Under 14 CCR § 15304 (b), minor alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees are exempt from CEQA requirements. The earthen trails are landscaping features constructed and maintained with minimal disturbance to land.

Based on staff analysis, it was determined that no adverse environmental impacts would occur as a result of the proposed project and none of the exceptions to Categorical Exemptions set forth in 14 CCR § 15300.2 apply to this project.

Date: June 19, 2019

Prepared By: Eric Martin

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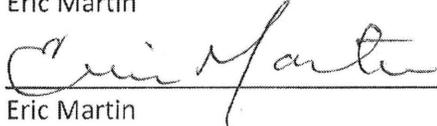
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Resolution 19-14 Supporting and Approving CEQA Categorical Exemption for Proposed Tompkins Memorial Trail Improvements

DATE: June 19, 2019
TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Eric Martin, District Engineer
SUBJECT: Resolution 19-14 Supporting and Approving CEQA Categorical Exemption for Proposed Tompkins Memorial Trail (TMT) Improvements

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BACKGROUND: The District maintains 17.89 miles of earthen trail as part of the Tompkins Memorial Trail (TMT) network. The TMT network is largely developed; however, from time to time minor extensions are proposed to provide connectivity between existing neighborhoods and newly developed subdivisions. Extensions are developed as 5-foot-wide unpaved, native earth trails, and construction activities occur within an approximately 8-foot-wide area of disturbance. Maintenance of the TMT network occurs regularly in the summer months.

DISCUSSION: The District is subject to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and a Notice of Exemption has been prepared allowing for the continued expansion and maintenance of the TMT. If approved, the Notice of Exemption will be filed with the State of California, State Clearing House for the required posting period prior to construction of TMT extensions.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Resolution 19-14 Supporting and Approving CEQA Categorical Exemption for TMT Improvements.

FISCAL/RESOURCE IMPACTS: None

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Approve Resolution 19-14 Supporting and Approving CEQA Categorical Exemption for TMT Improvements.
2. Notice of Exemption with Categorical Exemption determination.

DATE PREPARED: June 13, 2019



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RESOLUTION 19-14

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RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AND APPROVING CEQA CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION FOR TOMPKINS MEMORIAL TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the Northstar Community Services District (District) maintains the Tompkins Memorial Trail Network (TMT) on various properties within its service boundaries; and

WHEREAS, NCS D desires to construct TMT trail extensions from time to time to provide connectivity between existing neighborhoods and newly developed subdivisions;

WHEREAS, NCS D desires to perform maintenance of the TMT network;

WHEREAS, the District is subject to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA); and

WHEREAS, the Project as described herein qualifies for Categorical Exemption(s) under 14 CCR § 15304/Class 4 example (b) (Minor Alterations to Land) of the State CEQA Guidelines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Northstar Community Services District as follows:

1. All of the above recitals are true and correct and this Board so finds and determines.
2. The Board finds that the Project is exempt under the provisions of CEQA. Staff of the District are hereby authorized and directed to file a Notice of Exemption with the State of California, State Clearing House.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS DULY PASSED at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Northstar Community Services District held on June 19, 2019, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Brown, Cravens, Ives, Stewart, Witherspoon

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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Signed and approved by me after its passage this 19th day of June, 2019.

By: Cathy Stewart, Vice President of the Board of Directors
Northstar Community Services District

ATTEST:

By: Julie Zangara, Secretary of the Board of Directors
Northstar Community Services District

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