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IMPORTANT NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING
Regarding: RTI Transpacific Fiber-Optics Cables Project

Notice is hereby given that the City of Hermosa Beach, Community Development Department, will conduct a public scoping meeting for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project identified below. We would like to know your views regarding the scope of the environmental analysis to be prepared for the proposed project.

PROJECT TITLE: RTI Transpacific Fiber-Optics Cables Project

PROJECT APPLICANT: RTI Infrastructure, Inc., 268 Bush Street #77, San Francisco, CA 94104

PROJECT LOCATION: The proposed project would install two subsea fiber-optic cables across the Pacific Ocean utilizing a landing site in the City of Hermosa Beach (see description below). A cable landing site would be located within either 6th Street (Option A) between Hermosa Avenue and Manhattan Avenue or 10th Street (Option B) between Hermosa Avenue and Manhattan Avenue. A landing manhole installed at the landing site would be connected by buried terrestrial fiber-optic and power cables to an existing power feed equipment (PFE) facility located in an existing building at 1601 Pacific Coast Highway. Terrestrial cable routes connecting the landing manhole to the PFE facility are shown on the attached map.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed project would install up to two subsea fiber-optic cables across the Pacific Ocean. The project would have both marine and terrestrial components. The marine components consist of two subsea fiber-optic cables powered from shore. The subsea cables would be installed by a cable-laying ship pulling a plow across the sea floor to bury the cables in areas of soft sediment. The terrestrial components of the project include a landing manhole, an ocean ground bed, and a terrestrial conduit system to connect the cables to a power source at the existing PFE facility located at 1601 Pacific Coast Highway, Hermosa Beach. A buried terrestrial conduit system would be installed using trenchless construction (i.e. boring) within public streets and the Greenbelt to connect landing facilities to the existing PFE facility. New telecommunications equipment and a backup power generator would be installed at the PFE facility. The marine and terrestrial cables would be connected by installing two steel landing pipes under the beach and ocean floor from the landing site using directional boring. The directional bores would emerge on the sea floor approximately 3,000 feet from shore. Cables would be pulled through the bore pipes to connect the marine and terrestrial cable systems. Maintenance would consist of inspection and testing of the telecommunications and power feed equipment at the PFE facility.

SCOPING MEETINGS: A Scoping Meeting will be held for the general public to discuss the EIR for the proposed project. Comments and feedback will assist the City in identifying the range of actions, alternatives, mitigation measures, and significant effects to be analyzed in the EIR. **A Public Scoping Meeting will be held on August 26, 2019, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

The meeting will be at City Council Chambers, 1315 Valley Drive, Hermosa Beach, California, 90254. **A copy of the Initial Study** describing the proposed Project is available at the Community Development Department, City of Hermosa Beach, 1315 Valley Drive, Hermosa Beach, California 90254, or may be viewed online at:
http://www.hermosabch.org/index.aspx?page=504

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, please contact the Community Development Department, Planning Division, at (310) 318-0242 or fax to (310) 937-6235. The Department is open from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

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