

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND INTENT TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

The City of San Luis Obispo, Natural Resources Protection Program has completed the Draft Initial Study-Negative Declaration (IS-ND) for the proposed Miossi Open Space Conservation Plan. The Draft IS-ND identifies no potentially significant effects of the proposed project.

Lead Agency Representative: Robert Hill, Sustainability & Natural Resources Official

General Plan Designation: Agriculture and Rural Lands (County of San Luis Obispo Land Use Designation)

Project Location: The 266-acre Miossi Open Space is located on City-owned property north of the City of San Luis Obispo, on the southern flank of West Cuesta Ridge west of U.S. 101 in the County of San Luis Obispo. The property is accessed from Old Stagecoach Road.

Project Description: The Miossi Open Space Conservation Plan would designate the project site as a City Open Space property in accordance with the City's Open Space Regulations (1996), the Conservation Guidelines for Open Space Lands of the City of San Luis Obispo (2002), and the Conservation and Open Space Element of the City's General Plan (2006). The project would implement new single-track trails, connections to Roller Coasters Trail to the north and potentially to the Poly Canyon Loop Trail to the west, and would make use of a cattle-guard-protected undercrossing of the existing UPRR tracks using an existing culvert. Project features, including entry fence, an informational kiosk, a bike rack, informal on-site parking, waste disposal receptacles, and small-scale safety lighting will be located at the front entrance south of Old Stagecoach Road. Informational kiosks and trail direction blades will be located along the proposed single-track trails, and the project site would be surrounded by a five-strand, wildlife-friendly, cattle perimeter fence. All recreational amenities would be designed and installed in accordance with the City's standard specifications identified in the adopted Open Space Maintenance Plan (2015). Vehicular access to the project site would be primarily from Old Stagecoach Road, with secondary access near the West Cuesta Ridge trailhead, which accesses Old Stagecoach Road from the north.

Public Review Period: Comments on the Draft IS-ND may be received in writing between Tuesday, December 11, 2019 and Friday, January 11, 2020. Written comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the review period and should be sent to the City of San Luis Obispo at the following address:

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Availability of Environmental Documentation: The Draft IS-ND is available for public review during regular business hours at the address listed above and online at:

<https://www.slocity.org/government/department-directory/community-development/documents-online/environmental-review-documents>