

PUBLIC NOTICE
HUMBOLDT COUNTY ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

On **Thursday, January 21, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, the Humboldt County Zoning Administrator will hold a public hearing to consider the matter listed below.

NOTE: In accordance with Executive Order N-29-20 the County of Humboldt Zoning Administrator meeting will be held virtually until further notice.

HOW TO LISTEN OR WATCH THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR MEETING:

You may access the live stream of the meeting in two ways:

1. **You may access the live stream of the meeting by using the following link:**
<https://zoom.us/j/95284272731> Password: 421159
2. **Call in via telephone at 346 248-7799, enter meeting ID 952 8427 2731 Password: 421159**

PUBLIC COMMENT INSTRUCTIONS DURING THE MEETING:

Participate in the public comment period of the meeting in the following two ways:

1. **Via Computer as an attendee:** To raise your hand click the Raise Hand icon on the bottom of the Zoom window. When you click the Raise Hand icon, a hand icon will appear next to your name that will notify the host your hand is raised. You will also see the hand icon turn green. When you want to lower your hand, you can click the hand icon again and your hand will be lowered. When you are called upon to speak the Zoom platform will ask you for permission to unmute your mic. **If you encounter any issues, please use the call-in option below.**
2. **Via phone call using cellphone or landline:** When the Zoning Administrator meeting begins, call in to the conference line. When the Zoning Administrator starts to discuss the item you wish to comment on, **Press *9 to raise your hand.** When you are called upon to speak, you will be prompted to unmute your mic, press *6 to unmute.

PUBLIC COMMENT: To submit public comment to the Zoning Administrator please email planningclerk@co.humboldt.ca.us and provide your name, the agenda item number(s) on which you wish to speak. If you do not have access to email, a voicemail may be left at (707) 445-7541 and will follow the same procedure as email public comments. All public comment submitted after the agenda has been published will be included with the administrative record after the fact

Resource Utilization Company, Orleans area; Case Number PLN-2018-15020 (filed 9/27/2018); Assessor's Parcel Number 529-131-011. Renewal of a 15-year permit term for a previously approved rock quarry surface mining operation which was previously approved in 2003 and allowed the quarry to extract, process and stockpile material for a period of 15 years. The project involves a Conditional Use Permit, Surface Mining Permit, Reclamation Plan, and review of financial assurances for a surface mining operation involving an upland rock quarry with a proposed total extraction of 300,000 cubic yards (cy) of aggregate material over an expected life of 15 years. Up to 50,000 cy of sand and gravel would be extracted per year. The operation would involve extracting aggregate from the quarry, separating it and then stockpiling it onsite. Usable rock product consists of moderately to loosely consolidated sand and gravel with cobble materials of primarily 8" diameter or less. The quarry operations would involve excavation, processing, loading and hauling. No blasting or drilling would be conducted on site. Heavy equipment to be used on site includes excavators, loaders, and caterpillar tractors, dump trucks. Rock would be hauled by 12 to 14-yard dump trucks. The project includes a caretaker's residence served by on-site sewage disposal system. The project is located in Humboldt County,

in the Orleans area, on the west side of Big Rock Road, approximately 1200 feet north from the intersection of State Highway 96 and Big Rock Road, on the property known as 100 and 222 Big Rock Road and 185 Eyesee Road, in the East Half of Section 36 Township 11 North Range 05 East, and in the West Half of Section 31 Township 11 North Range 06 East, HBM. Specific questions regarding this project can be directed to the assigned planner Joshua Dorris at (707) 268-3779 or via email at jdorris@co.humboldt.ca.us

Note: The County of Humboldt, as Lead Agency, in accordance with the State California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (finding of no significant adverse environmental effect) for the project. **This notification is to advise you that the Humboldt County Planning and Building Department will receive public comments on the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (SCH#2003072098) from December 16, 2020 to January 16, 2021.** Comments may be submitted to the Humboldt County Planning and Building Department, 3015 H Street, Eureka, CA 95501 by **January 16, 2021**. The draft Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study are available for review at the same location as well as online via the Department's website, located at <https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov/2003072098/3>

Consistent with the above instructions for public comment, any person may appear and present testimony in regard to this matter at the hearing. If you challenge the nature of the proposed action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Zoning Administrator at or prior to the public hearing. The Zoning Administrator's decision will become effective if an appeal is not filed within the appropriate filing period. An appeal may be filed by any aggrieved person who has testified in person or in writing on the project and must be submitted in writing with the required fees to the Planning Division of the Humboldt County Planning and Building Department at 3015 H Street, Eureka, California 95501, post marked before the end of the appeal period. If appealed, the decision will not become effective until the appeal is resolved.

The staff report for this project will be posted on <https://humboldt.legistar.com> on the Friday before the Zoning Administrator meeting. At any time prior to opening the public hearing on this application, the Zoning Administrator is authorized by the County Code to pull and refer the application to the Humboldt County Planning Commission for hearing and decision. If this project is referred for hearing to the Planning Commission, the County will provide public notice of the new hearing in accordance with provisions of State law. General questions regarding the Zoning Administrator, the permit process, submission of materials and other information not specific to this project may be obtained from the Planning Division of the Humboldt County Planning and Building Department, 3015 H Street, Eureka, California 95501 or email planningclerk@co.humboldt.ca.us. Telephone (707) 445-7541. Accommodations for people with special needs may be requested of the Zoning Administrator Clerk at (707) 445-7541 in advance of the meeting.

Please note that each Zoom meeting has a unique meeting ID and password. Any item on this agenda that is continued to a future date will use the meeting ID and password applicable to the date the agenda item is to be heard again. Agendas are posted on the Friday before the meeting at <https://humboldt.legistar.com>

Humboldt County Zoning Administrator
November 25, 2020