



NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

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Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code

State Clearinghouse Number: 2021040437
Project Title: Bahia Fire Road and Trail Improvement Project
CEQA Lead Agency: Marin County Parks and Open Space District
Project Applicant: Marin County Parks and Open Space District
Project Location (include county): Rush Creek Open Space Preserve, Marin County

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MARIN COUNTY CLERK
By J. Gilardi, Deputy
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Project Description: The project would close/decommission numerous existing social trails and realign and develop new trails at Rush Creek Open Space Preserve, resulting in a sustainable trail network in the southeast portion of the Preserve from both a soil stability and trail maintenance standpoint. Trail realignment and new trail development is summarized below:

Blue Oak Trail. A new 3,410-foot multi-use trail would be constructed to replace an existing social trail network that would be decommissioned and restored to more natural conditions.

Iron Gate Trail. A new 1,680-foot multi-use trail would be constructed to provide access from Bahia Drive to the Bahia Ridge Trail. The upper 680-foot section of the Iron Gate Fire Road would be converted to a 5-foot-wide multi-use trail and the lower 500 feet of the Iron Gate Fire Road would be decommissioned.

Horseman’s Spur Trail. An existing 1,370-foot social trail would be decommissioned, and the new 970-foot Horseman’s Spur Trail would be constructed to provide a sustainable equestrian access from the Novato Horsemen’s Association property to the Iron Gate Trailhead and designated for equestrian and hiking only trail.

Bahia Berm Trail. An existing 1,375-foot social trail that would be upgraded to improve drainage and designated for hiking-only.

This is to advise that the Lead Agency through the Marin County Open Space District Board of Directors has approved the above-described project on **JULY 13, 2021** and has made the following determinations regarding the above-described project.

1. The project [will will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
 A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigations measures [were were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [was was not] adopted for this project
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations [was was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [were were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the Negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at the Marin County Parks and Open Space District administrative office located at 3501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 260, San Rafael, CA 94903.

Signature: *Max Korten*

Max Korten, Director and General Manager

Date: July 13, 2021

Date Received for Filing at OPR

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