NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

OF THE SR 20/KIBBE ROAD INTERSECTION PROJECT DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

SCH #2021040495

DATE: December 3, 2021

TO: Responsible Agencies and Interested Parties

FROM: Kevin Perkins, Planning Manager, Yuba County Community Development and Services Agency

SUBJECT: Notice of Availability of the SR 20/Kibbe Road Intersection Project Draft EIR

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Yuba County, as Lead Agency, has completed a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for the SR 20/Kibbe Road Intersection Project (proposed project).

PROJECT LOCATION: The approximately 10-acre project site is located at the intersection of SR 20 and Kibbe Road, approximately three miles northeast of the City of Marysville, within Yuba County. The project site extends north from the 720-acre mining and processing facility of the Hallwood mine towards SR 20. Existing land uses in the vicinity of the site include agricultural, industrial (aggregate mining and associated uses), and rural residential uses. The northwest and southwest portions of the site are currently in use as grazing/pasture land. Several rural residences exist northeast of the Kibbe Road/SR 20 intersection, and three residences exist southeast of Kibbe Road/SR 20 intersection. In addition, unmarked bus loading areas are provided in the northeast and southwest corners of the SR 20/Kibbe Road intersection which service four schools in the Marysville Joint Unified School District (MJUSD).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed project would include the construction of intersection improvements at the SR 20/Kibbe Road intersection for the purpose of connecting the intersection to a previously constructed portion of the private haul road, which ends approximately 50 feet south of SR 20. Such improvements would provide a new haul route for Teichert's existing Hallwood mine to alleviate existing traffic-related impacts on rural residences in the Hallwood Boulevard and Walnut Avenue neighborhoods. The proposed project would also include the westerly realignment of approximately 600 feet of Kibbe Road, north of SR 20, to connect with the relocated intersection. Driveway access would be constructed to connect existing homes north of SR 20 with the realigned segment of Kibbe Road. The segment of Kibbe Road which is being replaced north of SR 20 would be decommissioned and removed. A left-turn pocket for westbound SR 20 traffic, the installation of 12-foot shoulders on both sides of SR 20 to the west of the proposed intersection, and additional improvements to SR 20 as determined by Caltrans would also be included in the construction of the proposed project.

Implementation of the proposed project would require the following discretionary actions by Yuba County:

- Certification of the Environmental Impact Report;
- Adoption of the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program;
- Acquisition of right-of-way along the 13 parcels adjacent to Kibbe Road; and
- Encroachment permit from Yuba County.

Additionally, the proposed project would require the following discretionary approvals:

- Encroachment permit from Caltrans;
- Section 401 permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE); and
- Section 404 permit from USACE.

PROJECT APPLICANT: Teichert Aggregates, 3331 Walnut Avenue, Marysville, CA 95901

HAZARDOUS WASTE SITES: The proposed project is not located on any hazardous waste sites lists enumerated under Section 65965.5 of the Government Code.

SIGNIFICANT ANTICIPATED ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS: The Draft EIR identifies significant impacts to the following California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) environmental topics: biological resources; cultural and tribal cultural resources; noise; and transportation. Significant cumulative impacts were not identified within the Draft EIR. As described in the Draft EIR, all significant impacts could be mitigated to less-than-significant levels with implementation of mitigation measures incorporated into the Draft EIR. As such, the proposed project would not result in any significant and unavoidable impacts. In addition, the Initial Study prepared for the proposed project identified a significant impact related to hydrology and water quality, and included mitigation to reduce the impact to a less-than-significant level.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: The Draft EIR is available for review online at https://www.yuba.org/departments/community_development/planning_department/document_library.php.

In addition, the Draft EIR is available at the following address during normal business hours:

Yuba County Community Development and Services Agency 915 8th Street, Suite 123 Marysville, CA 95901.

PUBLIC REVIEW TIMELINE: The 55-day public review period for the Draft EIR begins December 3, 2021 and ends January 26, 2022. All comments on the Draft EIR must be received no later than **4:00 PM on January 26, 2022**. The County must receive all written comments within this time period. Written comments may be submitted to the attention of Kevin Perkins, Planning Manager, Yuba County Community Development and Services Agency at the following:

Kevin Perkins, Planning Manager Email: kperkins@CO.YUBA.CA.US

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PUBLIC HEARING: A public hearing to receive comments on the Draft EIR will be held before the Yuba County Planning Commission on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>January 19</u>, <u>2022 at 6:00 PM</u>, or soon thereafter in the Board of Supervisor's Chambers, Yuba County Government Center, 915 8th Street, Marysville, CA. The County will provide a separate public notice prior to any future meetings or hearings.

QUESTIONS: If you have any questions about this project, please contact Kevin Perkins, Planner Manager, Yuba County Community Development and Services Agency, at (530) 749-5470 or kperkins@CO.YUBA.CA.US.