

# Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

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**SCH # 2021040532**

**Project Title:** Nordic Aquafarms California, LLC Land-based Aquaculture Project

Lead Agency: County of Humboldt Contact Person: Alyssa Suarez  
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 City: Eureka Zip: 95501 County: Humboldt

**Project Location:** County: Humboldt City/Nearest Community: Samoa  
 Cross Streets: Vance Avenue and LP Drive Zip Code: 95564

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 40 ° 48 ' 17 " N / 124 ° 11 ' 43 " W Total Acres: 76.69

Assessor's Parcel No.: 401-112-021-000 Section: 21 Twp.: 5N Range: 1W Base: Humboldt

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 255 Waterways: Humboldt Bay, Pacific Ocean  
 Airports: Samoa Field Airport Railways: N/A Schools: Peninsula Union Elementary School

**Document Type:**

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| CEQA: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOP | <input type="checkbox"/> Draft EIR                 | NEPA: <input type="checkbox"/> NOI | Other: <input type="checkbox"/> Joint Document |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Early Cons           | <input type="checkbox"/> Supplement/Subsequent EIR | <input type="checkbox"/> EA        | <input type="checkbox"/> Final Document        |
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**Local Action Type:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Update    | <input type="checkbox"/> Specific Plan            | <input type="checkbox"/> Rezone                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Annexation                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Amendment | <input type="checkbox"/> Master Plan              | <input type="checkbox"/> Prezone                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Redevelopment                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General Plan Element   | <input type="checkbox"/> Planned Unit Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Use Permit                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Coastal Permit               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Plan         | <input type="checkbox"/> Site Plan                | <input type="checkbox"/> Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Special Permit</u> |

**Development Type:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Residential: Units _____ Acres _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation: Type _____            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Mining: Mineral _____                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Power: Type _____ MW _____            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Industrial: Sq.ft. <u>766,530</u> Acres <u>36</u> Employees <u>150</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Educational: _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous Waste: Type _____           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational: _____   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____  |  |

**Project Issues Discussed in Document:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aesthetic/Visual         | <input type="checkbox"/> Fiscal                                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recreation/Parks                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vegetation               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural Land                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Flood Plain/Flooding       | <input type="checkbox"/> Schools/Universities                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water Quality            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air Quality              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forest Land/Fire Hazard    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Septic Systems                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water Supply/Groundwater |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Archeological/Historical | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geologic/Seismic           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sewer Capacity                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wetland/Riparian         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Biological Resources     | <input type="checkbox"/> Minerals                              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading | <input type="checkbox"/> Growth Inducement                   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Coastal Zone             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Noise                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Solid Waste                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Land Use                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drainage/Absorption      | <input type="checkbox"/> Population/Housing Balance            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toxic/Hazardous                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cumulative Effects       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic/Jobs                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Services/Facilities | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Traffic/Circulation             | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                        |

**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

Land Use: Industrial, Coastal Dependent. Zoning: Industrial: Coastal Dependent with Archaeological Resource Area Outside Shelter Cove overlay.

**Project Description:** (please use a separate page if necessary)

A Coastal Development Permit and Special Permit to authorize the redevelopment of the decommissioned Freshwater Tissue Samoa Pulp Mill facility in order to construct a land-based finfish recirculating aquaculture system (RAS) facility including a three to five-megawatt (3-5 MW) photovoltaic solar panel array covering approximately 690,000 square feet of the facility roofs. The Project will be conducted in two phases and is comprised of the following activities: demolition of existing pulp mill infrastructure; soil contamination remediation; ground densification; aquaculture facility construction; decommission of an existing leach field and connection to the Samoa wastewater treatment system for Phase 2. A total of five (5) buildings will be constructed with a combined footprint of 766,530 square feet. The height of the tallest proposed building is 60 feet. The project will include ancillary support features such as paved parking, fire access roads, security fencing, and stormwater management features. The applicant is proposing to raise Atlantic Salmon, subject to approval from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. Existing onsite water service supplied by the Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District would be connected to the new buildings for potable use, fire sprinklers, and irrigation. Saltwater would be supplied by existing sea chest infrastructure operated by the Harbor District, and will be upgraded. The upgrades will be evaluated in the EIR, as well as improvement to the fire suppression system on the RMT II site. Treated wastewater would be discharged utilizing the existing Redwood Marine Terminal II ocean outfall pipe. The Project Site is located on a former pulp mill site that remains an active Brownfield site (Regional Water Quality Control Board case no. 1NHU892), which includes Geotracker Field Points as shown in the EnviroStar and Geotracker online databases. The Project is located 1,000 feet east of the Samoa Solid Waste Disposal Site (SWDS). This project is located in the Samoa area, east of Vance Avenue, approximately 2,000 feet north from the intersection of Vance Avenue and Bay Street, on the property known as 364 Vance Avenue.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caltrans District # 1                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities Commission                         |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation, Department of                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy                      |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Education, Department of                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Quality                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy Commission                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Rights                                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fish & Game Region # 1                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Tahoe Regional Planning Agency                      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Food & Agriculture, Department of           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toxic Substances Control, Department of  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water Resources, Department of           |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services, Department of                         | Other: _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing & Community Development                        | Other: _____   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Native American Heritage Commission         |  |

**Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)**

Starting Date May 28, 2021 Ending Date June 29, 2021

**Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):**

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Phone: _____	

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Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.