

NEVADA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO
ADOPT A PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

TO:

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California Native Plant Society – Redbud
Laborers Pacific Southwest
Bear Yuba Land Trust
General Plan Defense Fund
Mountain Area Preservation Fund
Donner Summit Public Utility District
Military Training Route Operator – David Bell

Date: July 5, 2022

File Number(s): PLN22-0092, AAP22-0002, EIS22-0007, VAR22-0003

Applicant: Bill Clark – Auburn Ski Club
P.O. Box 729
Soda Springs, CA 95728

Project Location: 19749 Boreal Ridge Road, Soda Springs, CA 95728. The project site is located near the western edge of the Boreal parking lot near the Auburn Ski Club Nordic Center in unincorporated Eastern Nevada County, off of Interstate 80.

Project Description: An Amendment to Approved Use Permit U89-039 to install 40 light poles along the 2-kilometer lower loop of an existing 10-kilometer cross-county skiing trail system and to allow nighttime skiing from dusk until 8:00 P.M. on Wednesday through Saturday nights from early November through March at the Auburn Ski Club Nordic Center. Some of the light poles will have two lights installed, resulting in a total of 48 lights distributed between the 40 poles. Due to the high levels of snow on Boreal Ridge during the winter, the light poles are proposed to be 40 feet tall which exceeds the height limitation of 15 feet established by Section L-II 4.2.8 of the Nevada County Land Use and Development Code. Therefore, the project is being processed with a variance to the light pole height restrictions.

PUBLIC REVIEW: As a lead agency, in accordance with CEQA, Nevada County is distributing the Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration IS/MND to interested public and regulatory authorities for review and comment for a period of 31-days. Nevada County is inviting comments and concerns regarding the IS/MND during the public review period spanning **July 8, 2022 to August 8, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.** Final action

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on the proposed MND will be taken by the Nevada County Zoning Administrator after the completion of the public review period at a duly noticed public hearing.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: The Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for review on Nevada County's website at <https://www.mynevadacounty.com/994/Environmental-Documents>. Hardcopies may be reviewed at the Nevada County Planning Department, 950 Maidu Avenue, Suite 170, Nevada City, CA 95959.

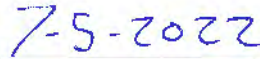
Written comments should be sent to the following address: David Nicholas, Assistant Planner, Nevada County Planning Department, 950 Maidu Avenue Suite 170, Nevada City, CA 95959 - Email: david.nicholas@co.nevada.ca.us; on or before **August 8, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.**

Pursuant to the State of California Public Resources Code and the "Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970," as amended to date, a Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared because no substantial evidence exists, as indicated in the attached Initial Study, that the proposed project may have a significant environmental effect that is not mitigated to a level of less than significance.

Prepared by:



David Nicholas, Assistant Planner



Date