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<u>BUTTE COUNTY</u> NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION BUTTE COUNTY FARM BUREAU (GPA23-0001)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Butte County has prepared an Initial Study in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and is considering the adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project described below. The Mitigated Negative Declaration establishes that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect because required mitigation measures will address potential project effects. The County has prepared this Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration to provide an opportunity for input from public agencies, organizations, and interested parties on the environmental analysis addressing the potential effects of the proposed project. The IS/MND is available for review on the County's website at https://www.buttecounty.net/363/California-Environmental-Quality-Act-CEQ.

Project Information

Project: Butte County Farm Bureau (GPA23-0001)

Location: The project site is located at 9412 Jones Avenue, on the northeast corner of Jones Avenue and Durham-Dayton Highway, 1,500 feet east of Midway, in the unincorporated community of Durham. Assessor Parcel Number: 040-180-041.

Project Description: Proposal to construct and operate a 5,000 square foot private meeting hall and offices on a 1.64-acre parcel. The proposal requires four entitlements, which will be processed concurrently: A General Plan Amendment and Zone Map Amendment to change the land use designation and zone district from the Very Low Density Residential (VLDR) to Agricultural Services (AS); Approval of a Minor Use Permit to operate a Private Meeting Hall in the AS zone; and, a Tentative Parcel Map to subdivide the 4.92 acres into four parcels, with the proposed development to occur on resultant Parcel 1, and the other three AS-zoned parcels to remain undeveloped.

The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) is on file for public review and comment starting **July 13, 2023**, to **August 11, 2023**. All comments for the IS/MND must be submitted in writing and received by **5:00 pm Friday, August 11, 2023**. Written comments may be submitted to the project planner, Rowland Hickel, Senior Planner, Butte County Development Services Department, Planning Division, 7 County Center Drive, Oroville, CA 95965. Phone: (530) 552-3684 Email: rhickel@buttecounty.net. The Butte County Planning Commission will consider the proposed project at a public hearing on a future date to be determined.

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