

**Notice of Determination**

**Appendix D**

**To:**

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**From:**

Public Agency: County of Sonoma/Permit Sono  
Address: 2550 Ventura Avenue, Santa Rosa CA  
95403

Contact: Blake Hillegas  
Phone: 707 565-1392

Lead Agency (if different from above):

Address:

Contact:

Phone:

**SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.**

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse):

Project Title: West County Transportation Phase II bus storage yard with bus driver parking

Project Applicant: Chad Barksdale, 367 West Robles Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95407

Project Location (include county): 3300 Juniper Avenue, Santa Rosa, Sonoma County

**Project Description:**

Phase II bus storage yard with bus driver employee parking and associated on-site and off-site improvements. The on-site improvements include 71 bus parking spaces and 80 bus driver employee parking spaces and associated landscaping, irrigation, lighting, fencing, and drainage improvements. Eight-foot-tall wire mesh security fencing would be installed around the perimeter of the site. Fencing along the property street frontage on Juniper Avenue would be setback and visually screened by street

This is to advise that the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors has approved the above (  Lead Agency or  Responsible Agency )

described project on 7/11/2023 and has made the following determinations regarding the above (date)

described project.

On February 22, 1999, the Board of Supervisors (BOS) adopted Resolution No. 99-0154 approving the West County Transportation bus storage, maintenance, and administrative facility to be constructed in two phases. Phase 1 was constructed in 2000. No time limit was set for the construction of Phase II. In approving the project, the BOS adopted a modified Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) together with modified mitigation measures and monitoring that were incorporated into the project conditions of approval. Accordingly, the MND adopted for the WCTA Project is the published MND dated October 5, 1998, as modified by Res. No. 99-0154 and its exhibits (collectively, the "Final MND" or the "Adopted MND").

On July 11, 2023, the BOS approved the final Design Review for Phase II of the bus storage yard. Their decision was based upon the information contained in the Final MND as defined herein and included in the project file, and based further upon all the evidence in the record before it, the Board of Supervisors determined that the Final MND for the WCTA Project, as approved by the Board of Supervisors on February 2, 1999, adequately addressed the potential impacts of the entire project in accordance with CEQA and that no further environmental review is required, based on the following findings made pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15162:

a) That Phase II of the WCTA Project, as modified by the applicant and conditioned by the Commission, is within the scope of the Final MND, which considered both phases of the project.

Deva Marie Proto, County Clerk  
BY: Julio Montes Lopez, Deputy Clerk

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b) There are no substantial changes to the project that require major revisions of the Final MND due to the involvement of a new or substantially more severe significant environmental effect because the proposal fully conforms to the 1999 Conditions of Approval, as demonstrated in the project file. Irrespective of allegations of changes to the service areas and decreased demand for busing, as well as shifts to smaller buses, the scope of the project remains consistent with the same numbers of employees and buses and substantial evidence supports that there are no major changes in service area, trip generation, or new or more severe substantial impacts.

c) There are no substantial changes with respect to the circumstances under which the Project is undertaken that require major revisions to the Final MND due to the involvement of a new or substantially more severe significant environmental effect. Substantial evidence in fact shows that new road and related infrastructure improvements would improve pedestrian and vehicular safety related to the project and otherwise reduce environmental impacts associated with transportation.

d) There is no new information of substantial importance, which was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the Final MND was adopted, that shows that buildout of Phase II of the project will have a new or substantially more severe significant effect than previously disclosed in the Final MND. There is no evidence in the record that mitigation measures previously found to be infeasible are in fact feasible or that there are new, more effective mitigation measures or that the applicant has declined to adopt any mitigation measures necessary to reduce or avoid a significant impact. Climate change was known at the time the Final MND was adopted and does not constitute new information, and the consolidation of existing facilities within the scope of the use permit would not produce new or more severe environmental impacts to climate or greenhouse gas emissions. Additionally, groundwater use and recharge were fully analyzed in the Final MND and no new evidence has been presented. Further, the draining system design consistent with the existing use permit ensures continued groundwater recharge and thus there is no evidence of new or more severe environmental impacts to groundwater.

e) The mitigation monitoring program that was incorporated into the 1999 conditions of approval for the project will continue to apply to the project and is expressly carried forward and incorporated into this Design Review approval.

f) Therefore, pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 21166 and CEQA Guidelines Section 15162, no subsequent CEQA document or analysis is required.

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 Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation 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:

<https://sonoma-county.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=6277620&GUID=F2B5FD7F-59EB-4209-92AF-9CBD0E57251E>

Signature (Public Agency): Blake Hillegas  
2023.07.13 13:38:29 -07'00' \_\_\_\_\_ Title: Supervising Planner

Date: 7/12/2023 Date Received for filing at OPR: \_\_\_\_\_



State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
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**CASH RECEIPT**

DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/23) Previously DFG 753.5a

RECEIPT NUMBER:  
49-07142023-257

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

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LEAD AGENCY COUNTY OF SONOMA/PERMIT SONOMA	LEAD AGENCY EMAIL	DATE 07/14/2023
COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING SONOMA	DOCUMENT NUMBER 23-0714-01	

PROJECT TITLE  
WEST COUNTY TRANSPORTATION PHASE II BUS STORAGE YARD WITH BUS DRIVER PARKING

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME CHAD BARKSDALE	PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL	PHONE NUMBER (707) 565-1392
PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 367 WEST ROBLES AVENUE,	CITY SANTA ROSA	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 95407

**PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)**

- Local Public Agency    
  School District    
  Other Special District    
  State Agency    
  Private Entity

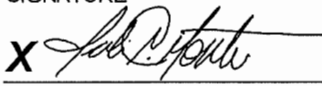
**CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Impact Report (EIR)  | \$3,839.25 | \$ |            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)                                | \$2,764.00 | \$ | \$2,764.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW         | \$1,305.25 | \$ |            |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt from fee  |            |    |            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Exemption (attach)   |            |    |            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)  |            |    |            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)                   |            |    |            |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only) | \$850.00   | \$ |            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County documentary handling fee   |            | \$ | \$50.00    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other  |            | \$ |            |

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**TOTAL RECEIVED**     \$     \$2,814.00

SIGNATURE 	AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Julio Montes Lopez, Deputy County Clerk-Recorder
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