
NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND INITIAL STUDY

DATE: March 15, 2024

TO: Responsible Agencies, Interested Parties, and Organizations

SUBJECT: **CAL FIRE Shasta-Trinity Unit Headquarters and Northern Region Headquarters Relocation — REDDING, SHASTA COUNTY, CA**

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) is the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Lead Agency for the proposed CAL FIRE Shasta-Trinity Unit Headquarters and Northern Region Headquarters Relocation Project (Proposed Project). CAL FIRE has directed the preparation of an Initial Study (IS) Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) in compliance with CEQA.

Project Location: The Proposed Project is located on the eastern side of Venture Parkway in the northern portion of Lot 11 within the Stillwater Business Park in the City of Redding. The site is designated Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 054-220-032 in Shasta County.

Project Description: The Project proposes the relocation of the existing CAL FIRE Shasta-Trinity Unit Headquarters and Northern Region Headquarters to a new co-located facility. The Project would allow CAL FIRE to operate in a safe and efficient manner, efficiently dispatch resources and services, enhance response times, and comply with the Governor's Executive Order B-18-12.

Potentially Significant Environmental Impacts: Potentially significant impacts to biological resources, cultural resources, paleontological resources, and tribal cultural resources were identified in the Initial Study. All impacts would be reduced to a less than significant level with the implementation of identified mitigation measures.

Hazardous Waste Sites: Pursuant to Section 15087(c)(6) of the Guidelines for California Environmental Quality Act, DGS acknowledges the non-existence of hazardous waste sites within the Project area reviewed by this Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND).

IS/MND Document Review and Availability: The public review and comment period for the Draft IS/MND will extend for 30 days starting **March 15, 2024 and ending April 15, 2024**. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, printed hard copies will not be available to the public. However, the Draft IS/MND can be viewed and/or downloaded at the following website:

<https://calfire.app.box.com/s/6uzjbg146cfn018h1jw98871hp740x7t/folder/238725157425>

Comments/Questions: Comments and/or questions regarding the IS/MND may be directed to:

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