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Notice of Exemption

To: County Clerk of San Mateo
555 County Center
Redwood City, CA 94063

From: Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District
5050 El Camino Real
Los Altos, CA 94022

Project Title: Russian Ridge Open Space Preserve Trail Segment Designation

Project Location: The project area is a 0.5-mile existing road located in Russian Ridge Open Space Preserve (APN: 078-210-100) in unincorporated San Mateo County. See Attachment 1: Project Location Map.

City: Unincorporated

County: San Mateo County

Description of Project: The Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District (District) proposes to designate a 0.5-mile legacy road as a multi-use public trail in Russian Ridge Open Space Preserve that would allow access for hikers, bikers, and equestrians, consistent with uses allowed on existing connecting trails.

The legacy road was formerly a driveway to a private residence and barn, both of which have since been demolished. The former approximately 0.5-mile legacy road begins where it intersects with the existing Bay Area Ridge Trail (Ridge Trail) and provides a 360-degree vista from the hilltop at its terminus. The implementation of this conversion would include new trail signs and assigning an official trail name ("Fog Drift Vista"). The site would not pose a safety risk to the public as all former structures have been removed. No vehicle parking is proposed as part of the Project.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Same

Exempt Status: In accordance with the State CEQA Guidelines, the proposed project is categorically exempt from CEQA under Article 19 under the sections outlined below:

Section 15301 – Existing Facilities: Class 1 exempts the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, or topographical features, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond the existing uses. The former driveway is an existing facility, requiring new trail signs as a limited alternation to safely open the trail segment for public use. Designating the legacy road as a multi-use trail would result in a less intensive use than the former vehicular use as a driveway.

Section 15304 – Minor Alternations to Land: Class 4 consists of minor public or private alterations in the condition of land, water, and/or vegetation which do not involve removal of

healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes. The proposed project includes new trail signs. Installation of trail signs would not involve removal of vegetation or trees.

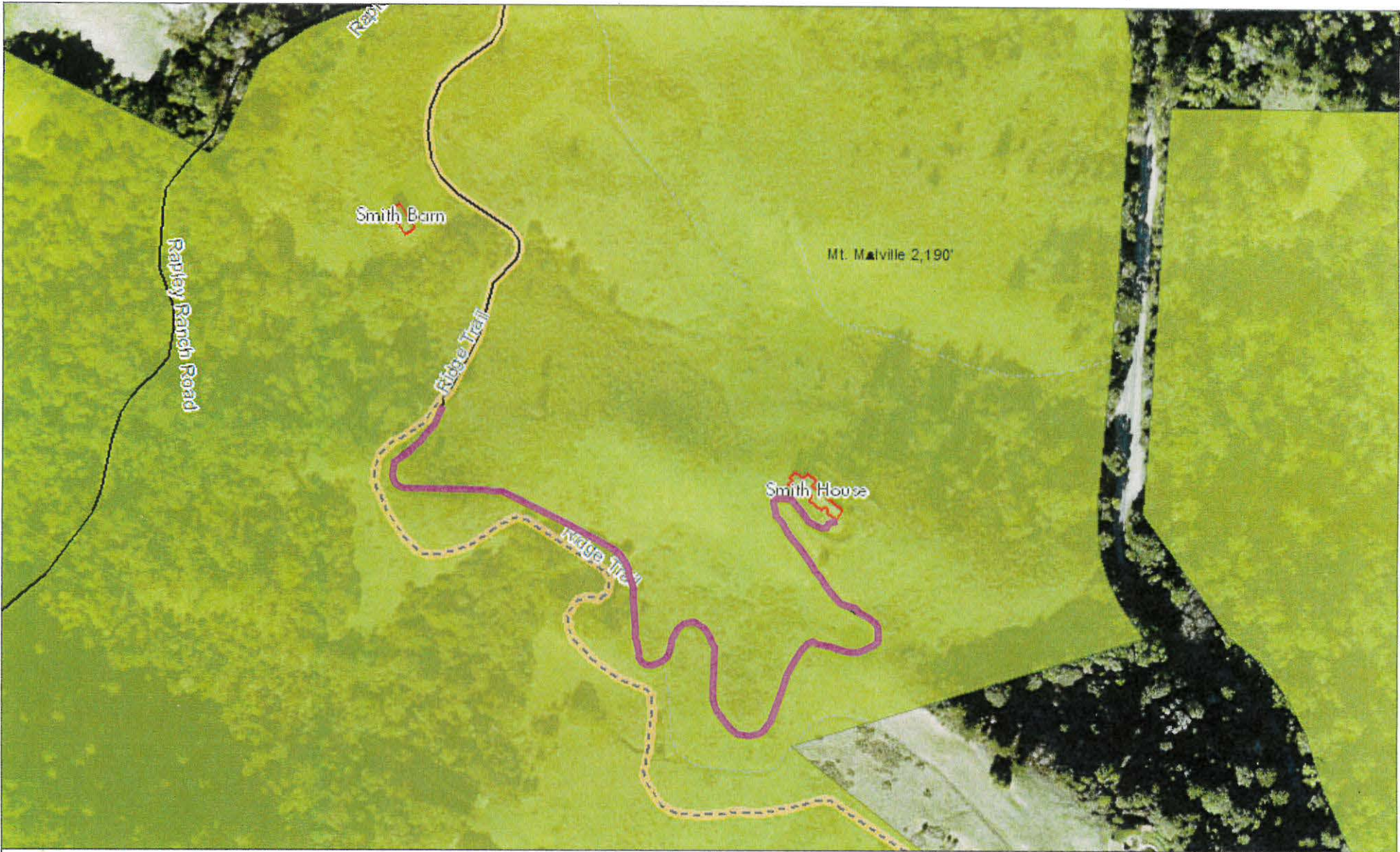
The assignment of a trail name does not constitute a Project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) whereas no direct or indirect physical changes would be made to the environment.

Lead Agency Contact Person: Mattea Ottoboni, Planner II
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650-772-3647
Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

Attachments: Project Location Map

Signature: 

Date: 2/2/2024



Smith Driveway Renaming

- | | |
|-----------------|---|
| Landmark | Trail (classes) |
| ▲ Peak | — Proposed Trail |
| Building | - - - Trail |
| □ Demolished | - · - · - Abandoned / Unmaintained Road |
| | — Bay Area Ridge |

■ Preserve Boundary (fill)

ATTACHMENT 1

Midpeninsula Regional
Open Space District
(MROSD)
9/27/2023



Data Source: Esri, Microsoft, DeLorme, GeoEye, and the GIS User Community
Web AppBuilder for ArcGIS

While the District strives to use the best available digital data, these data do not represent a legal survey and are merely a graphic illustration of geographic features.



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PROJECT TITLE

RUSSIAN RIDGE OPEN SPACE PRESERVE TRAIL SEGMENT DESIGNATION

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PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS 5050 EL CAMINO REAL	CITY LOS ALTOS	STATE CA
		ZIP CODE 94022

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

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

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- Environmental Impact Report (EIR) \$ 4,051.25 \$ _____
- Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND) \$ 2,916.75 \$ _____
- Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW \$ 1,377.25 \$ _____
- Exempt from fee
 - Notice of Exemption (attach)
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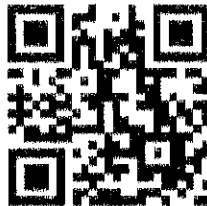
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