

Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

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SCH #

Project Title: Smith River Water Diversion Replacement Project

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 City: Santa Rosa Zip: 95403 County: Sonoma

Project Location: County: Del Norte City/Nearest Community: Smith River
 Cross Streets: Sarina and U.S. Hwy 101 Zip Code: 95567

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 41 ° 54 ' 49.67 " N / 124 ° 10 ' 20.39 " W Total Acres: 355
 Assessor's Parcel No.: 103-020-074 Section: 28 Twp.: 18N Range: 1W Base: _____
 Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: _____ Waterways: Smith River
 Airports: na Railways: na Schools: Smith Rive Elementary

Document Type:

CEQA: NOP Draft EIR NEPA: NOI Other: Joint Document
 Early Cons Supplement/Subsequent EIR EA Final Document
 Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) _____ Draft EIS Other: _____
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Local Action Type:

General Plan Update Specific Plan Rezone Annexation
 General Plan Amendment Master Plan Prezone Redevelopment
 General Plan Element Planned Unit Development Use Permit Coastal Permit
 Community Plan Site Plan Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) Other: _____

Development Type:

Residential: Units _____ Acres _____ Transportation: Type _____
 Office: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Mining: Mineral _____
 Commercial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Power: Type _____ MW _____
 Industrial: Sq.ft. _____ Acres _____ Employees _____ Waste Treatment: Type _____ MGD _____
 Educational: _____ Hazardous Waste: Type _____
 Recreational: _____ Other: agricultural
 Water Facilities: Type _____ MGD _____

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

Aesthetic/Visual Fiscal Recreation/Parks Vegetation
 Agricultural Land Flood Plain/Flooding Schools/Universities Water Quality
 Air Quality Forest Land/Fire Hazard Septic Systems Water Supply/Groundwater
 Archeological/Historical Geologic/Seismic Sewer Capacity Wetland/Riparian
 Biological Resources Minerals Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading Growth Inducement
 Coastal Zone Noise Solid Waste Land Use
 Drainage/Absorption Population/Housing Balance Toxic/Hazardous Cumulative Effects
 Economic/Jobs Public Services/Facilities Traffic/Circulation Other: _____

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Prime Agricultural, Agricultural Exclusive (AG-40)

Project Description: *(please use a separate page if necessary)*

The Alexandre Dairy is proposing the project to restore a riparian water right for APN 103-020-074 to irrigate approximately 355 acres of agricultural land which is grazed annually for organic milk production. The purpose of the project is maximize pasture irrigation during the late spring and summer during traditionally dry periods on the coast to allow the harvest of winter feeds (silage and grass hay) and grazing by: (1) replacing a functionally obsolete water diversion with a new structure that meets current NMFS standards and regulations and (2) conveying the water by means of a new underground pipeline, minimizing evaporation and groundwater penetration which previously occurred through an open conveyance ditch. The 4,500-foot-long underground water supply will irrigate the Ranch's approximately 355 acres, which makes up APN 103-020-074 from May 1st through September 31st annually. Start dates may vary depending on the farm's annual precipitation, which dictates pump start and stop periods on an annual basis, as this region generally experiences 76 inches of annual rainfall.

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<input type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol	<input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of
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<input type="checkbox"/> Energy Commission	<input type="checkbox"/> SWRCB: Water Rights
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Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date 06/14/2024 Ending Date 07/13/2024

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Signature of Lead Agency Representative  Date: 06/14/2024

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