

Notice of Exemption

Appendix E

To: Office of Planning and Research
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County Clerk

County of: Mendocino

501 Low Gap Rd #1020

Ukiah, CA 95482

From: (Public Agency): Caltrans District 1

1656 Union Street

Eureka, CA 95501

(Address)

Project Title: Blues Beach Property Transfer

Project Applicant: Caltrans District 1

Project Location - Specific:

State Route 1 in Mendocino County, at Post Miles 73.6-75.62, south of Westport at Ch

Project Location - City: Unincorporated Area Project Location - County: Mendocino

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

Caltrans is proposing to divide 172 acres of property under its ownership located in Mendocino County on State Route 1 and transfer 136 acres to a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation composed of three federally recognized Tribes for resource preservation and a public access management plan.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), District 1, Eureka CA

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Caltrans District 1

Exempt Status: **(check one):**

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15325- Transfer of Ownership to Preserve Natural Conditions
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project proposes to subdivide property to maintain Caltrans' Right of Way for maintenance and operational purposes while transferring the remainder of the parcel to a Non-Profit for resource management and preservation, as described in Section 15325 of CEQA. No development is being proposed at this time. Future projects by the Non-Profit will be subject to CEQA review.

Lead Agency

Contact Person: Jaime Matteoli Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 707 498 0961

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: Jaime Matteoli Date: 08/02/2024 Title: Corridor Manager

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

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