

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)

WHO: Project Applicant, Sonoma County Public Infrastructure

WHAT: Sonoma Public Infrastructure (SPI; formerly known as the Sonoma County Department of Transportation and Public Works and the General Services Department) proposes to repair and restore the left (east) bank of the Russian River to prevent ongoing erosion and protect River Road in the community of Geyserville, California. The project is centered near 38.721180°, -122.901296°, is approximately 1,000-feet northwest of the intersection of Fay Ranch Road and River Road, and near where River Road turns northward away from the Russian River.
Supervisorial District 4

Parcel Zoning: The site is zoned as Resources and Rural Development (RRD) and is surrounded by land primarily zoned as Land Intensive Agriculture (LIA). The unincorporated community of Geyserville is located less than a mile south of the project site, containing a mix of primarily residential and commercial uses.

In accordance with Public Resource Code and CEQA Guidelines, the County of Sonoma provides notice to agencies and interested parties that it is releasing a final Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the project. The IS/MND did not find potential environmental impacts that could not be mitigated to a less-than-significant level. The IS/MND is available at Permit Sonoma at 2550 Ventura Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95403 and on the Environmental Notice page of the Permit Sonoma website <https://permitsonoma.org/divisions/planning/environmentalnotices>.

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WHEN: After the close of the IS/MND public review period, it is anticipated that Sonoma County Public Infrastructure will schedule the item to present to the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors to consider adoption of the IS/ MND and approve the project.

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS:

Project materials and associated documents are available at Permit Sonoma, 2550 Ventura Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95403 and digitally through the Senior Environmental Specialist, Rich Stabler rich.stabler@sonoma-county.org or (707) 565-8352.

GETTING INVOLVED:

If you have questions or concerns regarding the proposed project, please contact the Environmental Specialist listed above. The required 30-day public review period on the IS/MND is August 16, 2024 to September 16, 2024. Comments on the IS/MND must be received by September 16th, **at 5:00PM**. All comments received after the review period will be included in the public record for consideration and provided to the decision-making body prior to or at the public hearing scheduled as above.

If you challenge the decision on the project in court you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to Permit Sonoma at or prior to the public hearing.

DATE: August 16, 2024, Press Democrat