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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Parcel Map 23-0006 - Vertical Bridge Wireless Telecommunications Facility

Lead Agency: County of Shasta

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Project Location: Palo Cedro, CA
City *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The proposal consists of subdividing the 16.3-acre project site into 12 lots, ranging in size from 0.5-acres to 5.13-acres, to facilitate commercial-light industrial development. The project would extend Palo Way approximately 690 feet from its current terminus and would have a cul-de-sac design while connecting elsewhere with an existing emergency fire escape road access. Two lots would be accessed via a shared flag lot driveway at the eastern end of Palo Way. One lot would be set aside for future use by the Bella Vista Water District for potential water system infrastructure.

Note: The previously approved project involved an application for a Zone Amendment (ZA19-0003) as well as a Parcel Map (PM18-0003) and had a Mitigated Negative Declaration adopted under State Clearinghouse #2020059005). ZA19-0003 was enacted. However, PM18-0003 never recorded and has since expired. A subsequent Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration is prepared for approval of Parcel Map 23-0006 that is substantially the same as the previously approved map under PM18-0003. 12 lots are proposed compared to the previous 10 lots that were approved.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Trees located at the project site and in the immediate vicinity of the project site provide suitable nesting habitat for several avian species including migratory nesting birds and raptors. Wetlands exist on the project site and will be avoided with a 50-foot buffer. Riparian vegetation along Cow Creek is protected within a 50' buffer along Cow Creek as well. The project would involve the removal of oak trees on site. Of the trees not specified to be retained on site, those that are 5-inches in diamter or greater at breast height will be replaced at a 2:1 ration. Disturbance from construction and vegetation removal could have a potentially significant impact on migratory nesting birds and/or raptors, various bat species as well as the Crotch's bumble bee. Mitigation measures are incorporated into the project to minimize impacts to these species. With the mitigation measure being proposed, the project would have a less-than-significant impact on any avian species which could significantly impacted from the project, any bat species and/or any protected bumble bee species.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

None.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

California Department of Fish and Wildlife
California Department of Transportation (CalTrans)
California Regional Water Quality Control Board