



COUNTY OF COLUSA
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT
A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
FOR THE SACRAMENTO RIVER FLOODPLAIN
ENHANCEMENT PROJECT AT RANCHO CALETA (PD-24-21)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Colusa County intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for River Partners' Sacramento River Floodplain Enhancement Project at Rancho Caleta Use Permit (PD-24-21) project.

Description: The proposed project will restore floodplain and fish habitat adjacent to the Sacramento River by manipulating the existing topography, re-contouring a swale, and planting native vegetation. The purpose of the project is to provide juvenile salmonids access to high-quality rearing habitat on the floodplain and remove any barriers that prevent them from returning to the main channel when the floodwaters recede. Engineering designs plan to remove the earthen berm, allowing the site to flood more frequently at approximately 22,000 cfs. After the construction of floodplain enhancements, the applicant will restore the riparian habitat on the site. This includes actively planting native riparian species and supporting the restoration with ongoing monitoring and maintenance for three years. The proposed plans to enhance the floodplain will benefit resident and migratory birds, fish, mammals, and invertebrates.

Location: The project is located on the west side of Butte Slough Road and on the east side of the Sacramento River in Colusa County, approximately 2 miles south of the City of Colusa (Section 33 of Township 16 North, Range 1 West, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian). The approximately 30.28-acre project site is identified as Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 015-130-020 and is owned by River Partners, Inc.

Review Period: The County of Colusa will accept comments on the MND:

Beginning: October 4, 2024 through November 4, 2024.

Scheduled Public Hearing: The Colusa County Planning Commission will conduct a Public Hearing on **November 6, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.** or soon thereafter in the Board of Supervisors Chambers located at 546 Jay Street, Suite 108, Colusa, CA, to consider the MND and Use Permit application and receive comments from all persons desiring to submit comments at that time.

Documentation Availability: Documentation and information regarding the MND and project may be obtained at the Community Development Department, 1213 Market Street, Colusa, CA or by calling (530) 458-0480. In addition, documentation is available on-line at <https://www.countyofcolusa.org/994/Current-Planning-Projects>.

If you have questions regarding this matter, would like to submit any comments, or would like to receive automatic notification of the availability of any supplemental information please contact: Steve Geiger, Principal Planner, 1213 Market Street, Colusa, CA (530)458-0891, or by e-mail at sgeiger@countyofcolusaca.gov.

If you challenge the proposed project or environmental determination in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the project's public hearings, or in written correspondence delivered at, or prior to, said public hearings.