

**RESOLUTION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION
OF THE COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
Resolution Number 17-08**

**Case Numbers SMP-16-002, CUP-16-013, RP-16-002, SP 16-024;
Assessor Parcel Numbers 522-142-010, 522-145-004, 522-491-004, 522-491-015, 522-491-017, 522-491-020, 522-145-006, 522-491-021**

Makes the required findings for certifying compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act and conditionally approves renewal of the Mercer Fraser Surface Mining Permit, Conditional Use Permit and modification, Special Permit, and Reclamation Plan

WHEREAS, Mercer Fraser submitted an application and evidence in support of approving a renewal and modification of a Conditional Use/Surface Mining Permit, Special Permit, Reclamation Plan and Financial Assurance Cost Estimate application for a surface mining operation with a 15-year permit term and total extraction volume of 40,000 cubic yards of sand and gravel from Trinity River gravel bars; and

WHEREAS, the County Planning Division has reviewed the submitted application and evidence and has referred the application and evidence to involved reviewing agencies for site inspections, comments and recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the project is subject to environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and

WHEREAS, Attachment 2 in the Planning Division staff report includes evidence in support of making all of the required findings for approving the proposed surface mining operation and reclamation plan; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission on March 2, 2017 held a public hearing on this matter to receive other evidence and testimony.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, determined, and ordered by the Planning Commission that:

1. The proposed surface mining operation and reclamation plan has potential significant effects on the environment, which, with the inclusion of specific mitigation measures, shall be rendered less than significant. Accordingly, a Subsequent Mitigated Negative Declaration is adopted pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines.
2. The Planning Commission makes the findings in Attachment 2 of the Planning Division staff report for Case Numbers SMP-16-002, CUP-16-013, RP-16-002, SP-16-024, based on the submitted evidence.

3. The Planning Commission conditionally approves the proposed surface mining operation and reclamation plan as recommended in the Planning Division staff report for Case Numbers SMP-16-002, CUP-16-013, RP-16-002, SP-16-024.

Adopted after review and consideration of all the evidence on March 2, 2017.

The motion was made by Commissioner Shepherd and seconded by Commissioner Edmonds.

AYES: Commissioners Mckenny, Morris, Edmonds, Shepherd, Bongio

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Mitchell

ABSENT: Commissioner Levy

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Robert Morris, Chair

I, Suzanne Lippre, Clerk to the Planning Commission of the County of Humboldt, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct record of the action taken on the above entitled matter by said Commission at a meeting held on the date noted above.

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Suzanne Lippre, Clerk