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LAND USE DIVISION MEMORANDUM

TO: Hank Seemann, Deputy Director, Environmental Services Division

FROM: Deborah Vining, Land Use Division 

DATE: May 17, 2018

RE: **PROPOSED VACATION A PORTION OF BURRELL ROAD NEAR HONEYDEW; APN's 107-102-023, 107-102-022, 107-102-005, 107-103-012**

The Department of Public Works, Land Use Division, has received a request for a Summary Vacation of a portion of Burrell Road near Honeydeew (shown on the attached map exhibit). The road easement was granted to the County by the same family ownership in 1961 for the purpose of roadway construction. After major flooding washed the road out over the Mattole River, the main road was "moved" to Mattole Road on the south side of the river, but the old alignment was never re-deeded to the underlying fee owners of the property. The road has several gates on it for livestock management, and it is no longer a widely used public access road. The portion of the road to be vacated ends on property entirely within the ownership of the applicant. This vacation does not land lock any other parcels.

A turnout or cul-de-sac meeting CalFire standards will be constructed just east of Mary Etter's residence on APN 107-102-022 where the proposed vacation begins. This property will be deeded to the County via easement as part of the Board of Supervisors agenda item vacating the road.

The vacation is being processed under Summary Vacation procedures per Streets and Highways Code §8333(a) and (c); Streets and Highways Code § 8334(a) and (b) are also applicable. The Land Use Division is requesting the Natural Resources Division to determine whether the proposed Summary Vacation qualifies for a categorical exemption under CEQA.

If there are any questions please contact me.

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