

ATTACHMENT 5: CEQA NOTICE OF EXEMPTION



HUMBOLDT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS CEQA DETERMINATION FORM

Project Title: Property Transfer of APN 201-021-003 and 201-011-006 to City of Fortuna

Project Location - Specific: Two undeveloped parcels (APN 201-021-003 and 201-011-006) along 12th Street, Fortuna

GPS Coordinates: Latitude n/a

Longitude n/a

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The project is a transfer of real property from the County to the City of Fortuna (City). The City proposes to utilize the parcels as part of the Rohner Creek Flood Control, Habitat, and Seismic Improvement Project and ongoing management and maintenance responsibilities. A culvert runs under 12th Street between the two parcels. On August 4, 2014, the City filed a Notice of Determination for Mitigated Negative Declaration with the State Clearinghouse (SCH No. 2014062010). Beneficiaries include property owners within the project area who will experience reduced flooding along with the general public due to the reduced flooding of public infrastructure and the water quality and habitat improvements associated with the project.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Humboldt County Public Works Department

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Humboldt County / City of Fortuna

Exempt Status: Categorical Exemption:

Section: 15325

Type: Specified Land Transfers

Reason why project is exempt:

The parcels are currently in an undeveloped (natural) condition. Transfer of ownership will support preservation of open space and restoration, restoration of habitat, and improvement of drainage.

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Title: Deputy-Director (Env. Services)

Date Signed: April 4, 2018

NOTE: The purpose of the CEQA Determination Form is to document the Department's decision that a project is exempt from further CEQA review. Forms are maintained in the Department's internal files. Filing a Notice of Exemption with the county clerk is optional and not required (CEQA Guidelines 15062). The only effect of filing a Notice of Exemption is to shorten the statute of limitations period on legal challenges regarding the decision that the project is exempt from further CEQA review, from 180 days to 35 days. For typical projects, Public Works does not file a Notice of Exemption.