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CANCELLATION OF AUGUST 17TH MEETING REGARDING CENTRAL COAST TRANSFER STATION PROJECT

The joint meeting of the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors and Fort Bragg City Council that was scheduled to take place in Fort Bragg on Monday, August 17, 2015 has been cancelled. The meeting was scheduled in order for the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors and the Fort Bragg City Council to consider whether to certify the Final EIR, adopt CEQA findings and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, and whether to proceed with the transfer station project. The agenda also included consideration of an amendment to the Joint Powers Agreement between the County and City for the Caspar Landfill and Solid Waste Transfer Station to address the new Central Coast Transfer Station project.

The meeting has been cancelled in order to give staff additional time to further consult with interested agencies to address concerns. Public notice will be provided of the date set for the next joint meeting of the Board of Supervisors and City Council concerning the Central Coast Transfer Station project.

The proposed commercial transfer station is intended to improve the efficiency of solid waste disposal in the Fort Bragg/Mendocino area by consolidating trash into larger truck loads for hauling to a destination landfill. It would replace the existing self-haul disposal site in Caspar and also the piecemeal truck trips made by Empire Waste Management to the Willits Transfer Station. The proposed site for the new Central Coast Transfer Station is on Highway 20, approximately three miles east of its intersection with Highway 1 (30075 Highway 20) at the northern edge of Jackson Demonstration State Forest. It was named as the preferred site by the Board of Supervisors and City Council in 2013 after a six-year search of possible locations in the Fort Bragg area.

The final EIR for the project is available at www.MendoRecycle.org, and bound copies are available for inspection at Fort Bragg City Hall and the Fort Bragg Library. The final EIR includes responses to comments on the Draft EIR which were received during the 45-day public review period which closed on March 26, 2015.

Questions regarding this information should be directed to Mike Sweeney, General Manager of the Mendocino Solid Waste Management Authority, which is representing the County and City in project planning. Contact: (707)-468-9710 or sweeney@pacific.net
