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The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors to Hold Joint Public Hearing with the Fort Bragg City Council at 10:00 a.m. on September 19, 2016, in Fort Bragg, CA Regarding the Central Coast Transfer Station

On September 19, 2016, the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors will be meeting for a regularly scheduled meeting at Fort Bragg Town Hall, located on the corner of Main and Laurel Streets at 363 North Main Street, Fort Bragg, California. The Board of Supervisors will be convening their meeting at 9:00 a.m. and will immediately adjourn the public portion of the meeting to conduct Closed Session business. The Board anticipates reconvening in Open Session at approximately 10:00 a.m. for the joint public hearing with the Fort Bragg City Council.

The joint public hearing will including discussion and consideration of resolutions certifying the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Central Coast Transfer Station Project, adopting Findings of Fact, adopting a Mitigation Monitoring Program, and approving the implementation of the project.

The Central Coast Transfer Station project would replace the existing solid waste transfer and disposal system for the Central Coast region of Mendocino County with a new commercial transfer station facility to be designed, constructed and operated on State Route (SR) 20. The facility would be publicly-owned, and would allow for direct haul of solid waste to a destination landfill, thereby increasing the efficiency and environmental soundness of solid waste management on the coast. The project also involves acquisition of the project site under AB 384 (Public Resources Code Sec. 4659) which authorizes a multi-party land swap whereby ownership of the project site would be transferred from CalFire to the County or City; the City and County would grant the State Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR) a conservation easement over their entire 60-acre Caspar site adjacent to Russian Gulch State Park and grant DPR an option to take title to 35 acres of the site; and CalFire would take ownership of a 12-acre portion of Russian Gulch State Park from DPR that is separated from the rest of the park by County Road (CR) 409.

The Board of Supervisors and City Council will also jointly discuss and consider the first amendment to the Caspar Joint Powers Agreement (JPA), as the Caspar Transfer Station is necessary to accommodate commercial solid waste collection trucks and allow long-haul direct transfer to a destination landfill. Pursuant to the JPA, siting and development of a project for an expanded facility, either at the Caspar property or another site, is necessary to implement the expansion. In order for the expansion to take place, the first amendment to the JPA is necessary to stipulate how the County and City will cooperate in development and operation of the Transfer Station.

At the conclusion of the Joint meeting, the Board of Supervisors will continue with their regular Board business, including receiving an update from County staff regarding animal care and shelter services on the Coast.

The public is welcome and invited to attend all Board meetings. For more information, please contact the Mendocino County Executive Office at (707) 463-4441, or visit the website at: <http://www.co.mendocino.ca.us/bos/index.html>. The full agenda and supporting material will be available online after Thursday, September 15, 2016.



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