Notice of Intent to Adopt a Negative Declaration

A notice, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended (Public Resources Code 21,000, et sec.) that the following project will not have a significant effect on the environment.

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<td>Interim Coastal Area Office at La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve</td>
<td>Continued use of an existing small office building for interim MROSD field office, staff parking, contractor staging/camping and continued use of public parking by permit and permitted equestrian/ranching activities.</td>
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Project Location

The 11.83 acre project site is in unincorporated San Mateo County on the south side of Highway 84, two miles west of the Town of La Honda. The site is part of the La Honda Creek Open Space Preserve, the remainder of which lies across Highway 84 to the north. The site is bordered by private property to the east and west, and the San Gregorio Creek to the south. The project is within MROSD’s Coastal Annexation Area, an area of coastal San Mateo County annexed by Midpen in 2004. Access to the site is via an unpaved driveway extending from Highway 84.

Project Description

Continued use of an existing small office building as an interim office/outpost for MROSD staff and occasional staging for contractors and consultants working on properties in coastal San Mateo County. Physical changes to this site as a result of this project are removal of two grandstands and possible installation of additional timed security lighting. No new areas will be disturbed and there will be no sub-surface work. Site includes daily parking for a small number of MROSD vehicles and occasionally construction vehicles/contractor campers to be stored overnight.

Purpose of Notice

The purpose of this notice is to inform you that MROSD Staff has recommended that a Negative Declaration be approved for this project. MROSD staff has reviewed the Initial Study for the project, and based upon substantial evidence in the record, finds that the proposed project could not have a significant effect on the environment.


Public Comments regarding the correctness, completeness, or adequacy of this mitigated negative declaration are invited and must be received on or before the end of the public review period. Such comments should be based on specific environmental concerns. Written comments should be addressed to Aaron Peth, Planner III, at the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, 330 Distel Circle, Los Altos, CA 94022 or by email at: apeth@openspace.org. For additional information regarding this Mitigated Negative Declaration, please contact Aaron Peth, Planner III at 650-691-1200.
The Negative Declaration and Initial Study may be viewed at the following locations:

1. Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District’s website at [https://www.openspace.org/about-us/notices](https://www.openspace.org/about-us/notices)
2. State Clearinghouse CEQAnet Web Portal at [https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov/](https://ceqanet.opr.ca.gov/)

Responsible Agencies sent a copy of this document:

- County of San Mateo, Office of Planning and Building

Significant effects on the environment (or lack thereof):

N/A – No significant effects

Mitigation Measures included in the project to reduce potentially significant impacts to a less than significant level:

N/A

A reporting or monitoring program must be adopted for measures to mitigate significant impacts at the time the Negative Declaration is approved, in accord with the requirements of section 21081.6 of the Public Resources Code.

Prepared by:  

[Signature]

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