



Notice of Availability Revised Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration

Name of Project: WILCOX PROCESSING FACILITY, Renewal of Conditional Use Permit for quarry rock processing facility,
Ray Wilcox (State Clearinghouse No. 2018092046)

Project Description:

Ray Wilcox (Applicant) is requesting approval of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) and Reclamation Plan acceptance submitted concurrently, for the Wilcox Processing Facility (WPF) to allow for processing and storing of quarry rock, at an existing quarry rock processing facility located approximately 1 mile south of the community of Whitethorn in unincorporated County of Humboldt (WPF site). The site is the location of a former mill site and previously operated as an accessory function to the mill site prior to 1972. From 1995 to 2017, the site operated as the WPF, but has since been idle. Although the WPF is considered appurtenant to the existing Baker Creek Quarry (BCQ), approval of a separate CUP for the WPF is sought by the Applicant, as no changes to the BCQ's current operations are proposed. The WPF's Reclamation Plan, dated May 2, 2018, prepared in accordance with the provisions of SMARA, describes the end use of the site as a gravel lot and provides in detail how the 1.8-acre processing site would be reclaimed following closure of the processing facility. This is being processed as an addendum to an existing Reclamation Plan for the Baker Creek Quarry approved in 2007, as the WPF would be an appurtenant facility to the quarry.

Project Location: The project is located in Humboldt County, in the Whitethorn area, on the east side of Briceland-Thorne Road, approximately 1,364 feet north from the intersection of Baker Creek Road and Briceland-Thorne Road, on the property known as 17603 Briceland-Thorne Road; Assessor's Parcel Numbers 215-192-005, 215-192-018, 215-231-013, 215-232-001, and 215-232-02.

List of Significant Environmental Effects: Measures are proposed to mitigate impacts to biological resources, green house gas emissions, cultural resources, air quality, hydrology and water quality and tribal cultural resources. These mitigation measures would reduce impacts to less than significant for all categories.

Lead Agency: Humboldt County Planning and Building Department

Direct Comments To: Joshua Dorris, Planner
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Review Period: Comments on the Revised Draft MND will be accepted between October 11 and November 11, 2019

Public Hearing: Humboldt County Planning Commission
To be scheduled, Humboldt County Courthouse

The Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration will be available for review at the following locations:

- Humboldt County Planning and Building Department, Planning Division, 3015 H Street, Eureka, CA 95501. **Phone:** (707) 445-7541. **Hours:** 8:30am - 5pm.
- On line at: <http://www.humboldt.gov/156/Planning-Building>

October 10, 2019