

## Mitigated Negative Declaration

This statement and attachments constitute the Subsequent Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared pursuant to California Code of Regulations title 14 section 15162, as proposed for adoption by the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) for the project described below.

Posting Date: January 13, 2020  
To State Clearinghouse: January 13, 2020  
Comment Period: January 13, 2020, to February 12, 2020  
Proposed Adoption Date: April 16 or 17, 2020

Project Name: Draft Order No. R1-2020-0007, *Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges Related to Timber Harvesting and Related Land Management Activities Conducted by Humboldt Redwood Company, LLC, in the Stitz Creek Watershed, Humboldt County*

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Project Description: The "Project" consists of adoption of draft Order No. R1-2020-0007, *Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges Related to Timber Harvesting and Related Land Management Activities Conducted by Humboldt Redwood Company, LLC, in the Stitz Creek Watershed, Humboldt County* (Stitz Creek WDR) by the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board). If adopted, the draft Order would establish water quality requirements for nonpoint source waste discharges and other controllable factors related to timber harvesting and associated activities conducted by Humboldt Redwood Company (HRC), LLC, a timberland management company in the Stitz Creek watershed, Humboldt County, California.

Project Location: Eel River Hydrologic Area in Humboldt County, Calwater (version 2.2), Scotia Hydrologic Sub-Area, Stitz Creek planning watershed (1111.1200201).

Environmental Findings:

1. This Subsequent Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects the decision making body's independent judgment and analysis;
2. The decision-making body has reviewed and considered the information contained in this Subsequent Mitigated Negative Declaration including the information contained in the Initial Study and Draft Order No. R1-2019-0021, and the comments received during the public review period;
- and 3. On the basis of the whole record before the decision making body, there is no substantial evidence that the project will have a significant effect on the environment.

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Public Hearing: On April 16 or 17, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., in Humboldt County at a location to be announced in the Regional Water Board's

agenda and on its website at:  
<http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/northcoast/>.

Attachments:

Initial Study; and Draft Order No. R1-2020-0007, *Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharges Related to Timber Harvesting and Related Land Management Activities Conducted by Humboldt Redwood Company, LLC, in the Stitz Creek Watershed, Humboldt County and Attachments.*

How to Submit Comments: The Lead Agency invites comments on the proposal from all interested persons and parties. Comments must be submitted by February 12, 2020, at [Maggie.Robinson@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Maggie.Robinson@waterboards.ca.gov) or at the above address. For more information contact: Maggie Robinson by phone at (707) 576-2292, or by email at [Maggie.Robinson@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Maggie.Robinson@waterboards.ca.gov)