



PUBLIC NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY – NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Notice is hereby given that a draft Initial Study – Negative Declaration (IS-ND) has been prepared for the below described project in accordance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as set forth in the Public Resources Code, Sections 21000 to 21174, as amended. The project would not result in any significant or potentially significant effects on the environment, and no mitigation is required for the project.

Project Title: Conservation and Open Space Element Update

Project Proponent/Applicant: City of Grover Beach

Project Description: In 2018, the City of Grover Beach City Council directed City staff to begin updates of the City's existing General Plan Conservation and Open Space Elements. The Conservation and Open Space Elements were combined into a single element, and the proposed Conservation and Open Space (COS) Element sets forth the City's goals, policies, and implementation programs to conserve and properly manage natural, scenic, and cultural resources. The proposed COS Element is organized into the following three sections: Natural Resources; Tribal Resources; and Water and Floodwater. Each section contains various topics that affect Grover Beach's conservation and open space resources and establishes the City's goals, policies, and implementation programs for these resources. Most of the proposed COS Element policies are derived from the existing General Plan 2010 Land Use Element, with revisions to some policies and several new policies to address specific topics not previously addressed in the General Plan. Accordingly, the COS Element update involves revisions to the Land Use Element and elimination of the Scenic Routes Element of the General Plan and includes new policies to address environmental justice pursuant to State planning requirements. These components of the update reconcile and provide general consistency and organization for the proposed COS Element with other chapters of the General Plan. There are also proposed deletions to several Land Use Element policies that are no longer applicable and other minor revisions.

The draft IS-ND and all documents referenced in the document may be reviewed at the Community Development Department, 154 South 8th Street, Grover Beach, California 93433, Phone No. (805) 473-4520. The document is also available for review on the City's website at: <http://www.grover.org/389/Conservation-and-Open-Space-Element-Upda> Written comments on the draft is-ND will be accepted during the period from May 22, 2020 to June 22, 2020 (30 days). Please submit comments on or before 5:00 p.m. on June 22, 2020, the close of the public comment period.