



# COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

## PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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## NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

**To:**

☒ County of Santa Cruz  
Clerk of the Board  
701 Ocean Street, Room 500  
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

☒ Office of Planning and Research  
State Clearinghouse  
P.O. Box 3044  
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

**Subject: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.**

State Clearinghouse Number (if applicable): 2020120466

Project Title: Watsonville Lee Road Trail

Project Applicant: City of Watsonville

**Project Location:** : The project is located along Lee Road, which extends through the City of Watsonville and unincorporated Santa Cruz County on the west side of Highway 1. Santa Cruz County is bounded on the north by San Mateo County, on the south by Monterey and San Benito Counties, on the east by Santa Clara County, and on the south and west by the Monterey Bay and the Pacific Ocean.

**Project Description:** The City of Watsonville is proposing the Lee Road Trail Project. The 1.43-mile long trail would generally be a 12-foot wide pedestrian/bicycle trail along the east side of Lee Road, with a 12-foot wide pedestrian/bicycle bridge over the portion of Lee Road extending through (and submerged by) Struve Slough. Additionally, portions of the trail would extend along Harkins Slough Road on the north end to the high school, along the west side of Lee Road south of Struve Slough, and along the unpaved path located on the north side of Watsonville Slough to existing trails on the east side of Highway 1.

This is to advise that the County of Santa Cruz has approved the above described project on March 12, 2021 and has made the following determinations regarding the above described project: (Date)

1. The project [ ☐ will ☒ will not ] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ☐ An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.  
☒ A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation Measures [ ☒ were ☐ were not ] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [ ☒ was ☐ was not ] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [ ☐ was ☒ was not ] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [ ☒ were ☐ were not ] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the Final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the Negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at the following location:

County of Santa Cruz Planning Department  
701 Ocean Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

  
Signature

Environmental Coordinator  
Title

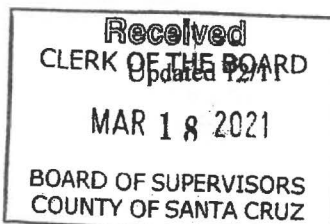
3/11/21  
Date

Date Received for Filing at Clerk of the Board

Date Received for filing at OPR

THIS NOTICE HAS BEEN POSTED AT THE CLERK  
OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OFFICE FOR A  
PERIOD COMMENCING 3/18/2021

AND ENDING 4/16/2021







State of California - Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**2021 ENVIRONMENTAL FILING FEE CASH RECEIPT**  
DFW 753.5a (REV. 01/01/21) Previously DFG 753.5a

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RECEIPT NUMBER:

44 — 03182021 — 040

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER (If applicable)

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE. TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY.

LEAD AGENCY

County of Santa Cruz

LEAD AGENCY EMAIL

matt.johnston@santacruzcounty.us

DATE

03182021

COUNTY/STATE AGENCY OF FILING

Santa Cruz

DOCUMENT NUMBER

009-21 NOD

PROJECT TITLE

Watsonville Lee Road Trail

PROJECT APPLICANT NAME

City of Watsonville c/o Kate Giberson

PROJECT APPLICANT EMAIL

Kate.giberson@WeAreHarris.com

PHONE NUMBER

( )

PROJECT APPLICANT ADDRESS

345 Bens Way

CITY

Watsonville

STATE

CA

ZIP CODE

95076

PROJECT APPLICANT (Check appropriate box)

☒ Local Public Agency

☐ School District

☐ Other Special District

☐ State Agency

☐ Private Entity

CHECK APPLICABLE FEES:

☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR)

\$3,445.25

\$

0.00

☒ Mitigated/Negative Declaration (MND)(ND)

\$2,480.25

\$

2,480.25

☐ Certified Regulatory Program (CRP) document - payment due directly to CDFW

\$1,171.25

\$

0.00

☐ Exempt from fee

☐ Notice of Exemption (attach)

☐ CDFW No Effect Determination (attach)

☐ Fee previously paid (attach previously issued cash receipt copy)

☐ Water Right Application or Petition Fee (State Water Resources Control Board only)

\$850.00

\$

0.00

☒ County documentary handling fee

\$

50.00

☐ Other CK #43179 \$2530.25 3/17/2021

\$

PAYMENT METHOD:

☐ Cash

☐ Credit

☒ Check

☒ Other

TOTAL RECEIVED

\$

2,530.25

SIGNATURE

X

*Juliette Burke*

AGENCY OF FILING PRINTED NAME AND TITLE

Juliette Burke, Administrative Aide





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**NOTICE**

Each project applicant shall remit to the county clerk the environmental filing fee before or at the time of filing a Notice of Determination (Pub. Resources Code, § 21152; Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subdivision (d); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 753.5). Without the appropriate fee, statutory or categorical exemption, or a valid No Effect Determination issued by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), the Notice of Determination is not operative, vested, or final, and shall not be accepted by the county clerk.

**COUNTY DOCUMENTARY HANDLING FEE**

The county clerk may charge a documentary handling fee of fifty dollars (\$50) per filing in addition to the environmental filing fee (Fish & G. Code, § 711.4, subd. (e); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 753.5, subd. (g)(1)). A county board of supervisors shall have the authority to increase or decrease the fee or charge, that is otherwise authorized to be levied by another provision of law, in the amount reasonably necessary to recover the cost of providing any product or service or the cost of enforcing any regulation for which the fee or charge is levied (Gov. Code, § 54985, subd. (a)).

**COLLECTION PROCEDURES FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENTS**

**Filing Notice of Determination (NOD):**

- ☐ Collect environmental filing fee or copy of previously issued cash receipt. *(Do not collect fee if project applicant presents a No Effect Determination signed by CDFW. An additional fee is required for each separate environmental document. An addendum is not considered a separate environmental document. Checks should be made payable to the county.)*
- ☐ Issue cash receipt to project applicant.
- ☐ Attach copy of cash receipt and, if applicable, previously issued cash receipt, to NOD.
- ☐ Mail filing fees for CRP document to CDFW prior to filing the NOD or equivalent final approval (Cal. Code Regs. Tit. 14, § 753.5 (b)(5)). The CRP should request receipt from CDFW to show proof of payment for filing the NOD or equivalent approval. Please mail payment to address below made attention to the Cash Receipts Unit of the Accounting Services Branch.

If the project applicant presents a **No Effect Determination** signed by CDFW, also:

- ☐ Attach No Effect Determination to NOD *(no environmental filing fee is due)*.

**Filing Notice of Exemption (NOE) (Statutorily or categorically exempt project (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, §§ 15260-15285, 15300-15333))**

- ☐ Issue cash receipt to project applicant.
- ☐ Attach copy of cash receipt to NOE *(no environmental filing fee is due)*.

**Within 30 days after the end of each month in which the environmental filing fees are collected, each county shall summarize and record the amount collected on the monthly State of California Form No. CA25 (TC31) and remit the amount collected to the State Treasurer. Identify the remittance on Form No. CA25 as "Environmental Document Filing Fees" per Fish and Game Code section 711.4.**

**The county clerk shall mail the following documents to CDFW on a monthly basis:**

- ✓ A photocopy of the monthly State of California Form No. CA25 (TC31)
- ✓ CDFW/ASB copies of all cash receipts (including all voided receipts)
- ✓ A copy of all CDFW No Effect Determinations filed in lieu of fee payment
- ✓ A copy of all NODs filed with the county during the preceding month
- ✓ A list of the name, address and telephone number of all project applicants for which an NOD has been filed. If this information is contained on the cash receipt filed with CDFW under California Code of Regulations, title 14, section 753.5, subdivision (e)(6), no additional information is required.

**DOCUMENT RETENTION**

The county shall retain two copies of the cash receipt (for lead agency and county clerk) and a copy of all documents described above for at least 12 months.

**RECEIPT NUMBER**

- # The first two digits automatically populate by making the appropriate selection in the County/State Agency of Filing drop down menu.
- # The next eight digits automatically populate when a date is entered.
- # The last three digits correspond with the sequential order of issuance for each calendar year. For example, the first receipt number issued on January 1 should end in 001. If a county issued 252 receipts for the year ending on December 31, the last receipt number should end in 252. CDFW recommends that counties and state agencies 1) save a local copy of this form, and 2) track receipt numbers on a spreadsheet tabbed by month to ensure accuracy.

**DO NOT COMBINE THE ENVIRONMENTAL FEES WITH THE STATE SHARE OF FISH AND WILDLIFE FEES.**

**Mail to:**

California Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Accounting Services Branch  
P.O. Box 944209  
Sacramento, California 94244-2090