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BUTTE COUNTY NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION MINOR USE PERMIT MUP16-0014

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Butte County has prepared an Initial Study in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and is considering the adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project described below. The Mitigated Negative Declaration establishes that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect because required mitigation measures will address potential project effects. The County has prepared this Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration to provide an opportunity for input from public agencies, organizations, and interested parties on the environmental analysis addressing the potential effects of the proposed project. The IS/MND is available for review on the County's website at http://www.buttecounty.net/dds/Planning/CEQA.aspx.

Project Information

Project: Patrick Ranch Museum Minor Use Permit (MUP16-0014)

Location: The project site encompasses 28-acres located at 10381 Midway, on the west side of the Oroville-Chico Hwy and Midway intersection, approximately 2 miles south from the city of Chico; APN: 039-060-088.

Project Description: The project proposes establishing the 28-acre Patrick Ranch Museum (PRM) as a Cultural Institution, as defined under the Zoning Ordinance, to preserve and interpret the agricultural history of the Sacramento Valley, including social, cultural, and economic aspects. Ancillary operations to the museum include hosting private and public special events. The facility will also host private special events through rental agreements, including weddings, corporate functions, and other similar event types. Special events would accommodate 50 to 2500 guests per event, or 12,000 people annually, and may include amplified music.

The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) is on file for public review and comment starting **February 17, 2022**, to **March 18, 2022**. All comments for the IS/MND must be submitted in writing and received no later than **5:00 pm Thursday, March 18, 2022**. Written comments may be submitted to the project planner Rowland Hickel, Senior Planner, Butte County Development Services Department, Planning Division, 7 County Center Drive, Oroville, CA 95965. Phone: (530) 552-3684 Email: rhickel@buttecounty.net. The Butte County Planning Commission will consider the proposed project at a public hearing on a future date to be determined.

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