

NOTICE OF PREPARATION - EXTENSION

OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE YREKA TRAVEL CENTER AND HOTEL PROJECT

August 1, 2022

LEAD AGENCY: City of Yreka

701 Fourth Street Yreka, CA 96097

PROJECT TITLE: Yreka Travel Center and Hotel Project

PROJECT LOCATION: The Project is located at 717, 727, 737 and 747 Montague Road in

the City of Yreka. APNs: 053-642-350, 360, 370 and 380.

The City of Yreka will be extending the comment period and hosting a second public meeting regarding the Notice of Preparation for the Yreka Travel Center and Hotel Project. The extension is due to the ongoing McKinney Fire which may impact city residents wishing to comment on this project.

The City of Yreka will be the Lead Agency and will prepare an environmental impact report for the Yreka Travel Center and Hotel Project.

The City is inviting public comments regarding the scope and content of the environmental information to be included in the EIR. Any comment from a public agency shall address the scope and content of environmental information that is relevant to the agency's statutory responsibilities, as required by Section 15082(b) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Section 15063(b) of the State Guidelines for the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires that, if during the Initial Study analysis, the lead agency determines that there is substantial evidence that any aspect of the project may cause a significant effect on the environment, the lead agency shall prepare an EIR. The City determined that an EIR level of analysis was required for specific impact areas based on the Initial Study. Those areas include air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, energy, greenhouse gas emissions, noise, paleontological resources, transportation, and tribal cultural resources. A copy of the Initial Study is available at the City at the address above or on the City's website at: https://ci.yreka.ca.us/164/Planning

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Development of the Project would require the approval by the City Council of an amendment to PUD 5-98 and associated Use Permit No. 2883. The Project is proposed to be completed in two phases and includes the following: Phase I - a 12,300 square-foot building consisting of a convenience store, a food hall, and retail shop open 7 days a week, 24 hours a day; a fuel center, with eight dispensers for automobiles and RVs, a separate fuel center with four diesel dispensers for semi-trucks, and a 99-space parking lot; Phase II - a 70-room, three-story hotel, and parking.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD:

The 30-day public review period for the Initial Study will begin on July 6th, 2022 and extended to **August 18th**, **2022** for any interested and concerned individuals and public agencies to submit written comments on the document.

PUBLIC MEETING:

The City will consider the certification of the EIR at a future City Council meeting to be determined. An additional virtual public scoping meeting has been scheduled for **Monday**, **August 15**, **2022 from 4:00 pm through 6:00 pm** on Zoom. To participate via Zoom utilize the following information:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84219698556 Meeting ID: 842 1969 8556

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A brief presentation will begin at 4:00 pm, afterwards comments will be accepted until the meeting concludes at 6:00 pm. Please send your response to Juliana Lucchesi, Planning Director at the address shown above or via email at <u>ilucchesi@ci.yreka.ca.us</u>.