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CITY OF ARCATA NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION BY THE CITY OF ARCATA AS THE LEAD AGENCY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Arcata intends to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project described below

Project: The City of Arcata proposes to construct approximately 3.5-miles of Class I bike path with highway overpass and trailhead improvements through north Arcata and the unincorporated County. The Project is located along an inactive segment of railroad corridor within the Great Redwood Trail Agency right-of-way and properties held in fee, between Sunset Avenue and Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District's Park 1 on West End Road. The Project would provide a safe walking and biking route from the existing northern terminus of the Humboldt Bay Trail at the Arcata Skate Park to the Valley West neighborhood, the Aldergrove business park, and the Mad River. In addition to safety and connectivity improvements, the trail would provide opportunities for nature study and recreation.

Application Date: NOC filed with the State Clearinghouse on Wednesday, November 2, 2022

Application Type: Adoption of Mitigated Negative Declaration **Location:** Township 6N, Range 1E, Sections 15, 16, 21, and 29

Owner/Applicant: City of Arcata

Agent: City of Arcata

Zoning: City: Railroad corridor is not zoned. Industrial General, Industrial Limited, Residential Very Low Density, Residential Low Density, Residential Medium, and Public Facility. Caltrans right of way. County: Limited Industrial and Agricultural Grazing.

General Plan: City: Railroad corridor is not zoned. Industrial General, Industrial Limited,

Residential Very Low Density, Residential Low Density, Residential Medium, and Public Facility. Caltrans right of way. County: Industrial General, Public Facility, and Residential Estates.

Coastal Status: Outside of the Coastal Zone

Environmental: An Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared and is being circulated by the City of Arcata Environmental Services Department as Lead Agency. The City will accept comments on the Draft Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration from November 2 until December 2, consistent with Section 15105 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the information regarding the proposed project and environmental document may be reviewed at the Environmental Services Department at Arcata City Hall, 736 "F" Street, Arcata, on weekdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., or online at https://www.cityofarcata.org/831/Annie-Mary-Trail-Connectivity-Project. Public comments on the IS/MND can be submitted to the City by letter (for mail or hand delivery) to Environmental Services Department located at 736 F Street, Arcata, CA 95521 or email eservices@cityofarcata.org.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN: The Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration becomes final after the public comment period is exhausted. Any interested person is encouraged to submit comments prior to the end of the comment period.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN: that, pursuant to state law, "If you challenge City action on a proposed project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised during the comment period."