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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15072 & 15105, the City is providing notice of an “Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration of Environmental Impact” for the project described below. All interested persons are invited to comment on the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the provisions of CEQA. The 30-day public review period commences on August 21, 2017. Written comments on the draft Mitigated Negative Declaration must be submitted no later than 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, September 21, 2017, and should be submitted to: City of Eureka, Development Services Department, Attn: Kristen M. Goetz, Senior Planner, 531 “K” Street, Eureka CA 95501. The draft Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for review during regular business hours at the City of Eureka Development Services Department – Community Development Division. This is not a notice of public hearing. A future public hearing regarding this project will be duly noticed as required by law.

PROJECT TITLE: Elk River Estuary/Inter-Tidal Wetlands Enhancement and Coastal Access Project

PROJECT APPLICANT: City of Eureka PROJECT FILE NO.: ED-17--0011

PROJECT LOCATION: Area 1: City property (APN 302-181-031, and 002), north of Elk River; Area 2: City property (APN 302-181-040, and 305-181-005), a private parcel (APN 302-181-039), south of Elk River,

ZONING & GENERAL PLAN DESIGNATION: Various

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City of Eureka proposes to restore and enhance estuary and inter-tidal wetland habitats on approximately 114 acres adjacent to Elk River. The project would enhance and restore approximately: 78 acres of salt marsh, 13 acres of riparian habitat, and 13 acres of inter-tidal channels, which may provide nearly ten acres of valuable Eelgrass (*Zostera marina*) habitat. The City also proposes to enhance public access to Elk River and Humboldt Bay with an approximately 1 mile extension of its Class 1 ADA Waterfront Trail, and the construction of a non-motorized boat launch, several causeways and viewing platforms, and a trail head parking area off Tooby Road. The project may also create approximately 2.8 miles of navigable channels connected to Elk River Slough.

The project file is available for review at the Development Services Department,

Community Development Division, Third Floor, City Hall, 531 K Street, Eureka, CA. If you have questions regarding the project or this notice, please contact Kristen M. Goetz, Senior Planner, *phone*: (707) 441-4160; *fax*: (707) 441-4202; *e-mail*: kgoetz@ci.eureka.ca.gov