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SCH # 2025070350

Project Title: Water Storage Reservoirs and Community Forest

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City: Fort Bragg, CA | Zip: 95437 | County: Mendocino

Project Location: County: Mendocino | City/Nearest Community: Fort Bragg
Cross Streets: Highway 20 and Summers Lane | Zip Code: 95437
Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 39 ° 25 ′ 00.71 ″ N / 123 ° 46 ′ 03.63 ″ W Total Acres: 582
Assessor's Parcel No.: 019-070-10, 019-070-11, 019-080-14, 019-080-16, 019-080-23 Section: 16 Twp.: T18N Range: R17W Base: MDM
Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 20 | Waterways: Noyo River, Newman Gulch, Hare Creek, Covington Gulch
Airports: none | Railways: Mendocino Railway | Schools: Redwood Elem, Fort Bragg Middle, Fort Bragg High, Dan

Document Type:

CEQA: ☒ NOP ☐ Early Cons ☐ Neg Dec ☐ Mit Neg Dec ☐ Draft EIR ☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR (Prior SCH No.) ☐ Other:
NEPA: ☐ NOI ☐ EA ☐ Draft EIS ☐ FONSI
Other: ☐ Joint Document ☐ Final Document ☐ Other:

Local Action Type:

☐ General Plan Update ☐ General Plan Amendment ☐ General Plan Element ☐ Community Plan
☐ Specific Plan ☐ Master Plan ☐ Planned Unit Development ☒ Site Plan
☒ Rezone ☐ Prezone ☐ Use Permit ☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.)
☒ Annexation ☐ Redevelopment ☐ Coastal Permit ☐ Other:

Development Type:

☐ Residential: Units ____ Acres ____
☐ Office: Sq.ft. ____ Acres ____ Employees ____
☐ Commercial: Sq.ft. ____ Acres ____ Employees ____
☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. ____ Acres ____ Employees ____
☐ Educational:
☒ Recreational: community forest/conservation easements
☒ Water Facilities: Type Reservoir MGD 45
☐ Transportation: Type
☐ Mining: Mineral
☐ Power: Type MW
☐ Waste Treatment: Type MGD
☐ Hazardous Waste: Type
☐ Other:

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

☒ Aesthetic/Visual ☒ Agricultural Land ☒ Air Quality ☒ Archeological/Historical ☒ Biological Resources ☐ Coastal Zone ☐ Drainage/Absorption ☐ Economic/Jobs
☐ Fiscal ☐ Flood Plain/Flooding ☒ Forest Land/Fire Hazard ☒ Geologic/Seismic ☒ Minerals ☒ Noise ☒ Population/Housing Balance ☒ Public Services/Facilities
☒ Recreation/Parks ☐ Schools/Universities ☐ Septic Systems ☐ Sewer Capacity ☐ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading ☐ Solid Waste ☒ Toxic/Hazardous ☒ Traffic/Circulation
☒ Vegetation ☒ Water Quality ☒ Water Supply/Groundwater ☒ Wetland/Riparian ☐ Growth Inducement ☐ Land Use ☐ Cumulative Effects ☐ Other:

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Timberland Production Zoning

Project Description: *(please use a separate page if necessary)*

The proposed project includes construction of three raw water reservoirs and development of a publicly-accessible community forest. Each reservoir would have a storage capacity of 45 acre-feet (approximately 14.6 million gallons), for a combined storage capacity of 135 acre-feet (approximately 44 million gallons). The reservoirs would be located approximately 0.3 mile southeast of Summers Lane Reservoir, north of an existing dirt road and south of the PG&E utility easement. The project would include a lot line adjustment such that the three reservoirs are within one parcel. A raw water pipeline, approximately 5,000 feet in length, would travel along the reservoirs to the northwest and would turn east at Summers Lane Reservoir to connect to the City's existing water infrastructure. The reservoirs would be filled during the winter with water pumped up from the Noyo River or from Waterfall Gulch. Water would be drawn from the reservoirs during summer when flows in the channels are low, reducing the impact on aquatic species. The water would flow primarily by gravity to the City's Water Treatment Plant.
A two-bedroom, two-bathroom caretaker unit and storage building would be constructed adjacent to the Summers Lane Reservoir, on APN 019-070-11. A second caretaker unit may also be constructed. Figure 3 shows the proposed conceptual site plan.
The proposed community forest, which would encompass the remainder of the project site, may include public trails throughout the project site. A trailhead, parking lot, and vault toilet would be constructed at an existing disturbed site approximately 750 feet north of Highway 20 and Gravel Pit Road. The parking lot would be approximately 1,800 square feet.

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____	California Highway Patrol	____	Pesticide Regulation, Department of
S	Caltrans District # 1	____	Public Utilities Commission
____	Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	____	Regional WQCB # ____
____	Caltrans Planning	____	Resources Agency
____	Central Valley Flood Protection Board	____	Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of
____	Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy	____	S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.
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S	Native American Heritage Commission		

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date September 16, 2025 Ending Date October 15, 2025

Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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Address: ____
City/State/Zip: ____
Contact: ____
Phone: ____

Applicant: ____
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Phone: ____

Signature of Lead Agency Representative: ____ **Date** 9/11/2025

Authority cited: Section 21083, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 21161, Public Resources Code.