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SCH #: _____

Project Title: CDP_2024-0018

Lead Agency: Mendocino County Planning & Building Services

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Project Location: Various Locations, Mendocino County
City *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

Standard Coastal Development Permit to authorize Major Vegetation Removal of forty-three (43) trees adjacent to PG&E distribution lines. In the Coastal Zone, at various locations within the southern coastal region of Mendocino County, no further north than Slick Rock Creek(SR 1, Post Mile Marker 9.0), no further south than China Gulch (SR 1, Post Mile Marker 0.5) and no further east than Old Stage Road (CR 502), in Gualala, CA. Located on both State, County and Privately owned parcels.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Based on discussion throughout this document, particularly in Section 5.4 – Biological Resources, there is some potential for impacts. However, these impacts can be made less than significant with the implementation of mitigation measures. The project, as proposed, would create temporary impacts to biological resources. With the incorporation of mitigation measures BIO-1 through BIO-7, the project would induce a less than a significant impact. The project would not substantially degrade the quality of the environment or substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species or cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels. A Biological Constraint Report was prepared by PG&E, dated February 26, 2024, which includes a complete list of locations. A Reduced Buffer Analysis was also prepared and provided for the proposed project. Biological Constraint Report contains a complete list of locations of the proposed tree removal. In summary, the proposed project cannot be found consistent with LCP polices relating to ESHA; however, the proposed project is the least damaging alternative and the proposed mitigation and restoration measures recommended in BIO-1 through BIO-7 (Conditions 10 through 16) will address the impacts to ESHA. These measures will mitigate the impact of the proposed development and restore and enhance ESHA located at the work areas. Primary concerns center on the fact that the project may result in impacts associated with biological resources that would be significant if left unmitigated. However, implementation of mitigation measures and conditions recommended by Staff and consulting agencies would fully mitigate all potential.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

None.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

Caltrans; California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE); California Department of Fish & Wildlife, Region 1 (CDFW); California Coastal Commission (CCC); Mendocino County Department of Transportation (MC DOT).