

# Notice of Completion & Environmental Document Transmittal

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**SCH # Pending**

**Project Title:** Humboldt Bay Oyster Company Shellfish Farm

Lead Agency: Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District (HBHRCD) Contact Person: Vanessa Blodgett  
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 City: Eureka Zip: 95502-1030 County: Humboldt

**Project Location:** County: Humboldt City/Nearest Community: Manila  
 Cross Streets: Humboldt Bay, California Zip Code: 95521

Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): 40 ° 51 ' 27.36 " N / 124 ° 8 ' 35.58 " W Total Acres: 31.7

Assessor's Parcel No.: 506-191-008, 506-181-001, 506-121-001, 400-181-006, 400-181-005, 405-031-009 Section: \_\_\_\_\_ Twp.: T06N Range: \_\_\_\_\_ Base: \_\_\_\_\_

Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 255 Waterways: Mad River Sough, Humboldt Bay  
 Airports: \_\_\_\_\_ Railways: \_\_\_\_\_ Schools: \_\_\_\_\_

**Document Type:**

CEQA:  NOP  Draft EIR NEPA:  NOI Other:  Joint Document  
 Early Cons  Supplement/Subsequent EIR  EA  Final Document  
 Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) \_\_\_\_\_  Draft EIS  Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Local Action Type:**

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

**Development Type:**

Residential: Units \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_  Transportation: Type \_\_\_\_\_  
 Office: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_  Mining: Mineral \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commercial: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_  Power: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MW \_\_\_\_\_  
 Industrial: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_  Waste Treatment: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MGD \_\_\_\_\_  
 Educational: \_\_\_\_\_  Hazardous Waste: Type \_\_\_\_\_  
 Recreational: \_\_\_\_\_  Other: Mariculture (Shellfish Nursery)  
 Water Facilities: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MGD \_\_\_\_\_

**Project Issues Discussed in Document:**

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

**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

**Agricultural Exclusive (AE)/Natural Resources (NR) and by City of Eureka as Woodley Island/Coastal**

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

Humboldt Bay Oyster Company (HBOC) currently farms Pacific oysters (*Crassostrea gigas*) and Kumamoto oysters (*Magallana sikimeia*) to maturity as well as Manila clams (*Venerupis philippinarum*) for seed in Humboldt Bay, California. The farm was established in 1978 and HBOC purchased it from Kuiper Mariculture in 2002. The proposed project seeks approval for (1) its existing FLUPSY, raft culture, and rack and bag culture methods within existing 17.8 acre farming area, (2) farming within two proposed expansion areas near-by (3.1-acre Expansion Area 1 and 10.8-acre Expansion Area 2), and (3) the use of an additional intertidal culture method known as "Longline Culture". A FLUPSY is a raft consisting of a series of bins containing shellfish seed suspended into the water and an electric paddle wheel to move water through the bins to create "upwelling" that is beneficial to growth of shellfish seed. The species they currently farm are already abundantly cultured in Humboldt Bay. The proposed intertidal longline culture method involves using either SEAPA-type culture baskets or tipping bags. These systems may be deployed with or without floats that harness tidal energy to "tumble" the oysters. HBOC proposes the use of intertidal longlines within existing rack & bag culture areas and within the proposed expansion areas.

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<input type="checkbox"/> California Highway Patrol	<input type="checkbox"/> Pesticide Regulation, Department of
<input type="checkbox"/> Caltrans District # _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Utilities Commission
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### Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date February 9, 2026 Ending Date March 10, 2026

### Lead Agency (Complete if applicable):

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