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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, the following project has been reviewed by the County Environmental Coordinator to determine if it has a potential to create significant impacts to the environment and, if so, how such impacts could be solved. A Negative Declaration is prepared in cases where the project is determined not to have any significant environmental impacts. Either a Mitigated Negative Declaration or Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is prepared for projects that may result in a significant impact to the environment.

Public review periods are provided for these Environmental Determinations according to the requirements of the County Environmental Review Guidelines. The environmental document is available for review at the County Planning Department located at 701 Ocean Street, in Santa Cruz. You may also view the environmental document on the web at www.sccoplanning.com under the Planning Department menu. If you have questions or comments about this Notice of Intent, please contact Todd Sexauer of the Environmental Review staff at (831) 454-3511.

The County of Santa Cruz does not discriminate on the basis of disability, and no person shall, by reason of a disability, be denied the benefits of its services, programs or activities. If you require special assistance in order to review this information, please contact Bernice Shawver at (831) 454-3137 to make arrangements.

PROJECT: BEAN CREEK STREAMBANK STABILIZATION PROJECT

APP #: N/A

APN(S): COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAY

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This is a proposal to construct 35 linear feet of reinforced concrete crib wall with large woody debris as scour protection, asphalt dike and guardrail, erosion control and revegetation. This requires a Riparian Exception.

PROJECT LOCATION: The proposed project is located on the west shoulder of Bean Creek Road, 2 miles north of the intersection of Bean Creek Road and Scotts Valley Blvd., west of the City of Scotts Valley in the unincorporated County of Santa Cruz. Santa Cruz County is bounded on the north by San Mateo County, on the south by Monterey and San Benito counties, on the east by Santa Clara County, and on the south and west by the Monterey Bay and the Pacific Ocean.

EXISTING ZONE DISTRICT: N/A

APPLICANT: County of Santa Cruz Department of Public Works

OWNER: County of Santa Cruz

PROJECT PLANNER: Matt Johnston

EMAIL: Matt.Johnston@santacruzcounty.us

ACTION: Negative Declaration with Mitigations

REVIEW PERIOD: May 8, 2017 through June 6, 2017

This project will be considered administratively by the Project Planner at the conclusion of the review period.



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Owner: County of Santa Cruz Department of Public Works

Applicant: County of Santa Cruz

Staff Planner: Matt Johnston, (831) 454-3201

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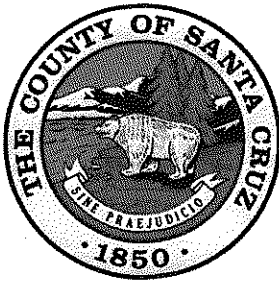
California Environmental Quality Act Mitigated Negative Declaration Findings:

Find, that this Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects the decision-making body's independent judgment and analysis, and; that the decision-making body has reviewed and considered the information contained in this Mitigated Negative Declaration and the comments received during the public review period; and, that revisions in the project plans or proposals made by or agreed to by the project applicant would avoid the effects or mitigate the effects to a point where clearly no significant effects would occur; and, on the basis of the whole record before the decision-making body (including this Mitigated Negative Declaration) that there is no substantial evidence that the project as revised will have a significant effect on the environment. The expected environmental impacts of the project are documented in the attached Initial Study on file with the County of Santa Cruz Clerk of the Board located at 701 Ocean Street, 5th Floor, Santa Cruz, California.

Review Period Ends: June 6, 2017

Date: _____

TODD SEXAUER, Environmental Coordinator
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CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) INITIAL STUDY/ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

Date: May 2, 2016

Application Number:

Project Name: Bean Creek 1.00

Staff Planner: Matt Johnston

I. OVERVIEW AND ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

APPLICANT: County of Santa Cruz
Department of Public Works

APN(s): County Right of Way

OWNER: County of Santa Cruz

SUPERVISORAL DISTRICT: 5th

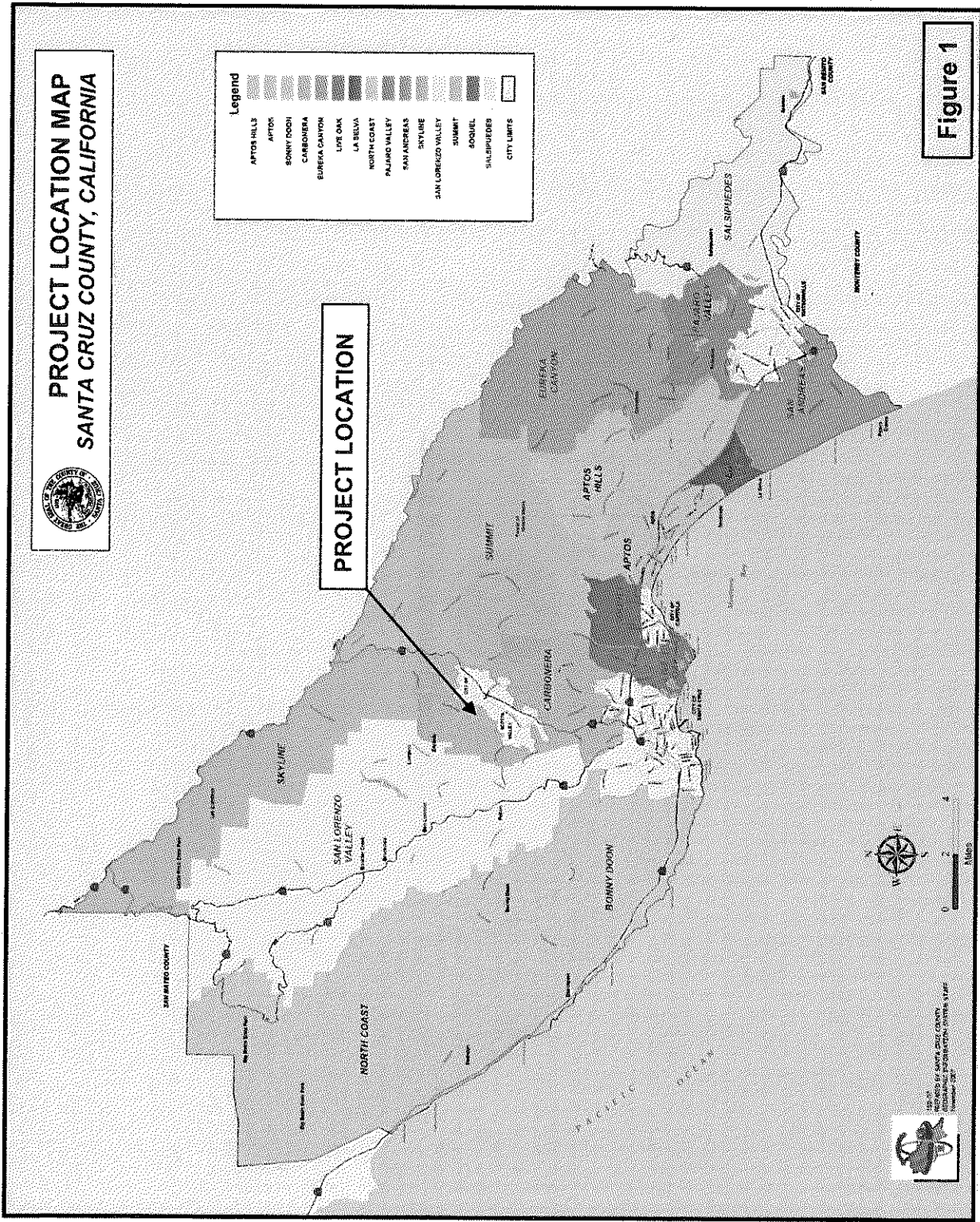
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SUMMARY PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Proposal to repair a partial road and stream bank failure by constructing a crib wall.

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED: *All of the following potential environmental impacts are evaluated in this Initial Study. Categories that are marked have been analyzed in greater detail based on project specific information.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aesthetics and Visual Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Land Use and Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture and Forestry Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Mineral Resources |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Air Quality | <input type="checkbox"/> Noise |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Biological Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Population and Housing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Geology and Soils | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Greenhouse Gas Emissions | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation/Traffic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hazards and Hazardous Materials | <input type="checkbox"/> Utilities and Service Systems |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrology/Water Supply/Water Quality | <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory Findings of Significance |

DISCRETIONARY APPROVAL(S) BEING CONSIDERED:



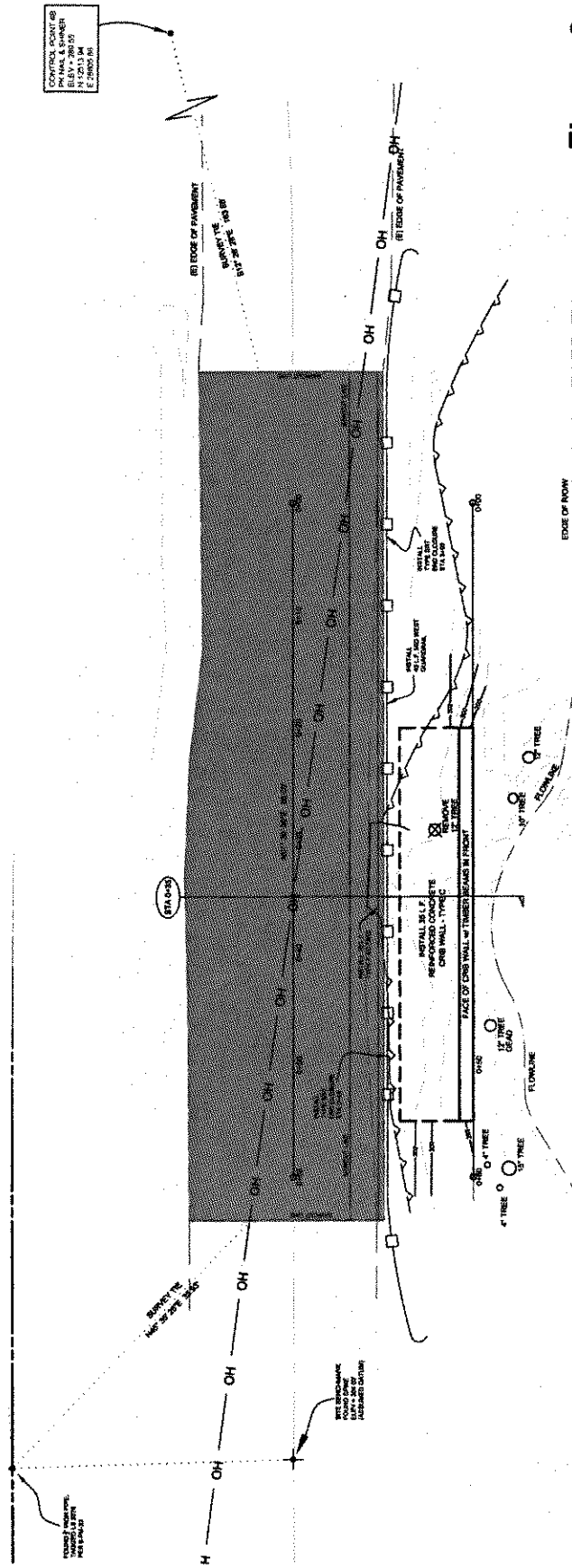
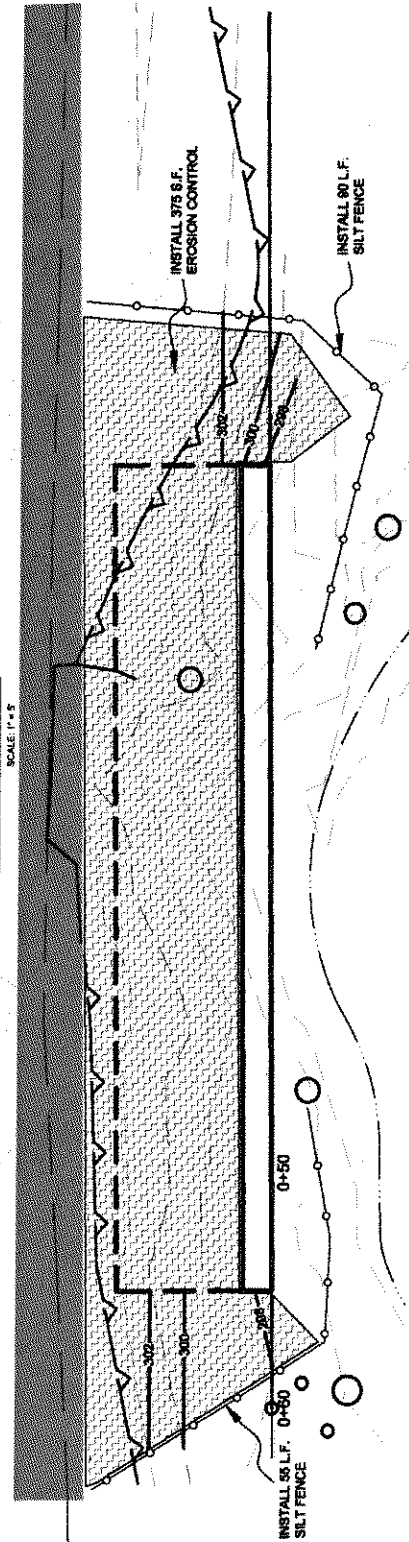


Figure 2

Project Site Plan

PLAN

SCALE: 1" = 8'



II. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

EXISTING SITE CONDITIONS:

Parcel Size (acres): N/A
 Existing Land Use: Roadway / stream bank
 Vegetation: Riparian
 Slope in area affected by project: 0 - 30% 31 - 100% N/A
 Nearby Watercourse: Bean Creek
 Distance To: Adjacent

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND CONSTRAINTS:

Water Supply Watershed:	Yes	Fault Zone:	No
Groundwater Recharge:	Yes	Scenic Corridor:	No
Timber or Mineral:	No	Historic:	No
Agricultural Resource:	No	Archaeology:	Yes
Biologically Sensitive Habitat:	Yes	Noise Constraint:	No
Fire Hazard:	No	Electric Power Lines:	Yes
Floodplain:	Yes	Solar Access:	No
Erosion:	No	Solar Orientation:	No
Landslide:	No	Hazardous Materials:	No
Liquefaction:	No	Other:	

SERVICES:

Fire Protection:	Scotts Valley	Drainage District:	Zone 4
School District:	SVUSD	Project Access:	Bean Crk Rd
Sewage Disposal:	Waste Management	Water Supply:	N/A

PLANNING POLICIES:

Zone District: N/A Special Designation: N/A
 General Plan: N/A
 Urban Services Line: Inside Outside
 Coastal Zone: Inside Outside

ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING AND SURROUNDING LAND USES:

Natural Environment

Santa Cruz County is uniquely situated along the northern end of Monterey Bay approximately 55 miles south of the City of San Francisco along the Central Coast. The Pacific Ocean and Monterey Bay to the west and south, the mountains inland, and the prime agricultural lands along both the northern and southern coast of the county create limitations on the style and amount of building that can take place. Simultaneously, these

The proposed work requires the removal of understory vegetation. Road repair work will occur from the paved roadway at the top of slope above Bean Creek. Approximately 265 square feet of erosion control fabric, hydroseed and willows stakes will be placed for slope stabilization around the concrete cribwall. The total work area encompasses approximately 4,200 square feet (0.09 acre).

B. AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY RESOURCES

In determining whether impacts to agricultural resources are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to the California Agricultural Land Evaluation and Site Assessment Model (1997) prepared by the California Department of Conservation as an optional model to use in assessing impacts on agriculture and farmland. In determining whether impacts to forest resources, including timberland, are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to information compiled by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection regarding the state's inventory of forest land, including the Forest and Range Assessment Project and the Forest Legacy Assessment Project; and forest carbon measurement methodology provided in Forest Protocols adopted by the California Air Resources Board. Would the project:

1. Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?

Discussion: The project site does not contain any lands designated as Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency. In addition, the project does not contain Farmland of Local Importance. Therefore, no Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, Farmland of Statewide or Farmland of Local Importance would be converted to a non-agricultural use. No impact would occur from project implementation.

2. Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?

Discussion: The project site is County right of way and stream bank, which is not considered to be an agricultural zone. Additionally, the project site's land is not under a Williamson Act Contract. Therefore, the project does not conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act Contract. No impact is anticipated.

3. Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code Section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code Section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code Section 51104(g))?