

Notice of Exemption

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To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: (Public Agency): City of Fort Bragg
416 N. Main St.
Fort Bragg CA 95437

County Clerk
 County of: Mendocino
501 Low Gap Rd. room 1020
Ukiah, CA 95482

(Address)

Project Title: Noyo Center for Marine Science La-bone-atory

Project Applicant: Noyo Center for Marine Science

Project Location - Specific:

331 Jere Melo Street, Fort Bragg CA. APN 018-430-15-00

Project Location - City: Fort Bragg Project Location - County: Mendocino

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

1) an LCP amendment is requested to change Map LU-4 of the Coastal General Plan to establish a new Plan Area on the Mill Site and to change the zoning for parcels within that Plan Area; amend Table 2-10 of the CLUDC to allow a Science Center with a use permit in the Public Facilities zoning district; and amend the zoning map to: a) rezone the Noyo Center parcel to Public Facilities zoning district, and b) rezone the coastal trail parcels to Parks & Recreation zoning district and c) rezone Sherwood Valley Band of Pomo (SVBP) parcel to Low Density Residential; and 2) a Coastal Development Permit, Use Permit, Design Review Permit and Sign Permit to entitle a 2,400 SF La-bone-atory, and the associated access road, sewer and water lines and parking spaces, once the LCP amendment is approved by the Coastal Commission.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: City of Fort Bragg

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Noyo Center for Marine Science

Exempt Status: (check one):

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: 15303 Class C(3); 15265 (c)
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Categorically Exempt from CEQA under Section 15303 Class C (3) – New Small Commercial Structures of less than 2,500 SF including on-premise signs. Categorically Exempt from CEQA under Section CEQA Guidelines § 15265 (c) "activities and approvals by a local government necessary for the preparation and adoption of a local coastal program or long-range development plan" pursuant to the California Coastal Act are statutorily exempt from compliance with CEQA. This statutory exemption "shifts the burden of CEQA compliance from the local agency to the California Coastal Commission."

Lead Agency
 Contact Person: John Smith Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 707-961-2823 x136

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature:  Date: 8/15/2024 Title: Acting Director, Community Development

Signed by Lead Agency Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.
 Reference: Sections 21108, 21152, and 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

