



NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION Beachfront Park Improvements Project

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Crescent City has prepared an Initial Study (IS) and Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Beachfront Park Improvements Project ("Project") and is requesting comments on the IS-MND. The IS-MND was prepared by the City of Crescent City in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and CEQA Guidelines. The MND, which is a written statement finding that the proposed project will not have a significant effect upon the environment due to the proposed mitigating measures, is proposed to be adopted pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines.

This **Notice of Intent (NOI)** is being sent, per CEQA Guidelines Section 15082, to the California State Clearinghouse, Del Norte County Clerk, responsible agencies, trustee agencies, and is being made available to members of the public including individuals and organizations to solicit comments on the analysis in the IS-MND.

PROJECT TITLE: Beachfront Park Improvements Project

PROJECT APPLICANT/AGENT: The City of Crescent City, 377 J Street, Crescent City, CA 95531.

PROJECT LOCATION: The Project site is Beachfront Park, a 35-acre recreational and open space park in Crescent City, Del Norte County, California. The park is bounded by Front Street on the north, Elk Creek on the east, Crescent Harbor on the south, and B Street on the west. The project is located at 391 Front Street, Assessor Parcel Number (APN): 118-020-031-000.

GENERAL PLAN LAND USE DESIGNATION: Conservation and Open Space - Open Space

ZONING DESIGNATION: Coastal Zone – Open Space District (CZ-O)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The City of Crescent City is proposing improvements to Beachfront Park, a waterfront community park and open space situated along Crescent City Harbor. New or replacement construction consists of:

- an amphitheater,
- waterfront plaza for farmers markets,
- interpretive trail (i.e., Tolowa Interpretive Trail),
- new entryway and signage,

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- improvements to the entry to the Del Norte County Visitor/Cultural Center,
- the plaza for the Tolowa Interpretive Trail
- expansion of the children's play area with inclusive play features,
- 1-mile running/walking loop,
- new restrooms,
- development of new sports fields in the central portion of the park along with connecting paths (this document covers the physical placement/construction activities of improvements but does not include the operations, as those details are unknown at this time and funding is not secured))
- landscape and irrigation improvements,
- various site furnishings, and
- various subsurface utilities.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT: The IS-MND is available for public review and comment at the City Hall (377 J Street, Crescent City, CA 95531) or on the City's website at: <https://www.crescentcity.org/news/post/16188/>

PUBLIC COMMENT: The public comment period will be concluded on **Friday, April 9, 2025**, at 5:00 p.m., comments must be received on or by this date. When submitting a comment, please include the name and address of a contact person in your agency or organization. Please direct your comments to:

Bob Brown, Contract Community Development Director
City of Crescent City, Community Development Department
377 J Street, Crescent City, CA 95531
(707) 464-7483 or bbrown@shn-engr.com

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: For the topic areas required to be analyzed by CEQA Guidelines Appendix G, the IS-MND concluded that the project would have no impacts or less than significant impacts with respect to Agriculture/Forestry Resources, Energy, Geology/Soils, Hydrology/Water Quality, Land Use/Planning, Mineral Resources, Population/Housing, Public Services, Recreation, Transportation, Utilities/Service Systems, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Noise, and Wildfire. The issue areas of Aesthetics, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, and Tribal Cultural Resources were found to have less than significant environmental impacts with mitigation measures incorporated. As such, the City of Crescent City has determined that an IS-MND is the appropriate CEQA assessment.

Please take notice that - pursuant to Public Resource Code Section 21177, Government Code Section 65009, and other applicable law - if you challenge the proposed action described above in court, then you may be limited to raising only those issues or objections you or someone else raised during the public comment period or the public hearing, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Crescent City within the review period, or to the City Council during the adoption of the CEQA document.