



RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT of TEHAMA COUNTY

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Resource Conservation District of Tehama County **Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Notice of Public Hearing for the** **Ponderosa Way Road Assessment and Sediment Reduction Plan Phase I and Phase II** **Implementation Projects**

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Resource Conservation District of Tehama County has prepared an Initial Study and is considering the adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the **Ponderosa Way Road Assessment and Sediment Reduction Plan Phase I and Phase II Implementation Projects** at a public hearing before the Conservation District on December 20, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the conference room of the USDA Service Center, 2 Sutter Street Suite D Red Bluff, CA 96080. The Resource Conservation District of Tehama County is established under Division 9 of the California Public Resources Code, by the rules of the Tehama County Local Agency Formation Committee as a locally governed agency with primary authority to implement local conservation measures.

Project Information

Project: Ponderosa Way Road Assessment and Sediment Reduction Plan Phase I and Phase II Implementation Projects

Project Proponent: Resource Conservation District of Tehama County, Red Bluff, CA.

Location:

Phase I Project Area

5 Miles southeast of Manton California

22 miles northeast of Red Bluff California

Between Rock Creek Road and the Shasta/Tehama County line to State Route 36E and the Ponderosa Sky Ranch community

Phase II Project Area

5 miles east of Cohasset California

25 miles south east of Red Bluff California

20 miles east of Los Molinos California

25 miles east of Chico California

Between State Route 36E and State Route 32E

Proposal:

21 recommended categories of erosion control and erosion prevention treatments have been developed for the 97.8 miles of Ponderosa Way and intersecting roads within the *Ponderosa Way Road Assessment and Sediment Reduction Plan Phase I and Phase II Implementation Projects* area. Within the Phase I portion of the overall project area, the erosion control and erosion prevention treatments design plan calls for 9.4 miles of road upgrading and possibly 12.7 miles of road decommissioning along Ponderosa Way and intersecting spur roads. Approval by the Tehama County

Board of Supervisors would be required in order to decommission those Ponderosa Way road segments within the Phase I project area. If approval is not provided, those treatment options developed for Phase I road segments not related to road decommissioning would be implemented as appropriate. All spur roads (8.1 miles) within the Phase I project area have been recommended for road decommissioning. All erosion control and erosion prevention work to be completed along Ponderosa Way within the Phase II project area will consist exclusively of road upgrading.

The California Environmental Quality Act requires this notice to disclose whether any listed toxic sites are present on the project site. The project site does not contain a listed toxic site.

The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND), and reference documents for this project are on file for public review until December 13, 2017, at the Resource Conservation District of Tehama County (RCDTC) office, 2 Sutter Street, Suite D Red Bluff CA 96080. The IS/MND is also available for review on the RCDTC website at <http://www.tehamacountyrcd.org/>. All persons are invited to review the document. Written comments will be accepted by the RCDTC at the above address or via email at tom@tehamacountyrcd.org. Comments are encouraged to be submitted in writing at any time prior to the hearing or orally at the meeting listed above or as may be continued to a later date. If you challenge the above application in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the RCDTC at, or prior to the public hearing. For information call or send an email to **Tom McCubbins 530-200-1231** or tom@tehamacountyrcd.org.