To: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Planning and Building Services

MEETING DATE: March 23, 2021

DEPARTMENT CONTACT:Tia SarPHONE:234-2894DEPARTMENT CONTACT:Nash GonzalezPHONE:234-6650

ITEM TYPE: Consent Agenda TIME ALLOCATED FOR ITEM: N/A

AGENDA TITLE: Adoption of Resolution of the Board of Supervisors Authorizing the Processing of a Consolidated Coastal Development Permit CDP\_2020-0038 (Parker 10 Mile Ranch) by the California Coastal Commission for The Nature Conservancy to Increase Winter Survival and Rearing Capacity for Coho Salmon on the Main stem of the Ten Mile River.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION/MOTION:** Adopt a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors authorizing the processing of a Consolidated Coastal Development Permit CDP\_2020-0038 (Parker 10 Mile Ranch) by the California Coastal Commission for The Nature Conservancy to increase winter survival and rearing capacity for Coho Salmon on the main stem of the Ten Mile River, and authorize Chair to sign same.

PREVIOUS BOARD/BOARD COMMITTEE ACTIONS: CDP\_2017-0025 (Phase 1A of project) — Resolution No. 17-140 adopted on October 3, 2017 & CDP\_2020-0005 (Phase 1B of project) — Resolution No. 20-029 adopted on March 24, 2020.

SUMMARY OF REQUEST: The Nature Conservancy proposes to increase winter survival and rearing capacity for Coho Salmon on the main stem of the Ten Mile River by constructing in-channel and off-channel habitat elements across several sites along an approximately 2500-linear-foot reach of the Ten Mile River. The habitat enhancements include a series of in-stream large wood structures and associated off-channel habitat alcoves intended to increase habitat complexity in a stretch of channel that currently has very little winter habitat value; an off-channel flooded wetland to provide foraging habitat and off-channel refugia for juvenile salmonids during storm events; and bank softening, berm breaching, and tree recruitment to facilitate natural geomorphic processes and increase connectivity between the channel and adjacent floodplains.

Currently, the project is split between the Coastal Commission retained (original) jurisdiction (for inchannel improvements including engineered log jams) and Mendocino County coastal jurisdiction (for off-channel improvements including the alcoves and flooded wetland). The Coastal Act was amended by Senate Bill 1843 effective January 1, 2007, which allows for a consolidated permitting process for projects for which the Coastal Development Permit authority is shared by a local government and the State Coastal Commission. Therefore, the Nature Conservancy is seeking a resolution which would consolidate the permit review under the Coastal Commission for this specific project only, and streamline the permit process. In support of this proposed consolidation request is that consolidation of the Coastal Development Permit would not substantially impair public participation in the review of the Coastal Development Permit, as a public hearing will still be held by the Coastal Commission and may be attended by interested parties or interested parties may submit written comments to the Coastal Commission.

<u>ALTERNATIVE ACTION/MOTION:</u> Reject the Resolution and direct staff to process a Coastal Development Permit for that portion of the project located in the County's jurisdiction.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AVAILABLE ONLINE AT:

https://www.mendocinocounty.org/government/planning-building-services/public-notices

**FISCAL IMPACT:** 

**SOURCE OF FUNDING: N/A** 

**BUDGETED IN CURRENT F/Y: N/A** 

| CURRENT F/Y COST: N/A   | ANNUAL RECURRING COST: N/A                           |  |  |
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| SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT: DISTRICT 4  | VOTE REQUIREMENT: MAJORITY                           |  |  |
| AGREEMENT/RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE APPROVED F   | BY COUNTY COUNSEL: Yes                               |  |  |
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### DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND BUILDING SERVICES

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### **MEMORANDUM**

DATE:

MARCH 23, 2021

TO:

HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

FROM:

PLANNING AND BUILDING SERVICES, TIA SAR, PLANNER II

SUBJECT:

CDP\_2020-0038 - REQUEST FOR ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION TO CONSOLIDATE PERMIT AUTHORITY FOR THE NATURE CONSERVANCY

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO THE TEN MILE RIVER TO INCREASE WINTER

REARING FOR COHO SALMON AND OTHER SALMONIDS.

The applicant, the Nature Conversancy (TNC), is proposing to implement a habitat restoration project to increase winter survival and rearing capacity for Coho Salmon on the main stem of the Ten Mile River. The applicant has requested a consolidated permit to process all improvements under one permit, expediting the review process.

The Main stem Ten Mile Habitat Enhancement Project, Phase 1, will include construction of several engineered log jams, seasonally flooded alcoves, and creation of an off-channel seasonally flooded wetland. Phases 1A (CDP\_2017-0025, Resolution No. 17-140) and 1B (CDP\_2020-0005, Resolution No. 20-029), consisted of restoration on the nearby South Fork of the Ten Mile River and were completed in 2018 and 2020 respectively.

The proposed improvements include construction of in-channel and off-channel habitat elements across several sites along an approximately 2500-linear-foot the Ten Mile River. The habitat enhancements include a series of in-stream, large wood structures and associated off-channel habitat alcoves intended to increase habitat complexity in a stretch of channel that currently has very little winter habitat value; an off-channel flooded wetland to provide foraging habitat and off-channel refugia for juvenile salmonids during storm events; and bank softening, berm breaching, and tree recruitment to facilitate natural geomorphic processes and increase connectivity between the channel and adjacent floodplains. These new habitat elements will significantly improve winter and spring rearing habitat for juvenile salmonids within this stretch of the Ten Mile River.

The project activities are split between Coastal Commission retained jurisdiction (for in-channel improvements including engineered log jams) and Mendocino County coastal jurisdiction (for off-channel improvements including the alcoves and flooded wetland). The attached *Parcels Map* shows the exact location of proposed improvements. Each proposed improvement is considered development as defined in Mendocino County Code (MCC) Section 20.308.035, and therefore the improvements in each jurisdiction would require a Coastal Development Permit, as per MCC Section 20.532.010.

The proposed consolidation request by the applicant would allow for streamlined processing of this project. The alternative would be the processing of multiple Coastal Development Permits by multiple jurisdictions, which would not allow analysis of the project as a whole. By authorizing the consolidation, the Board of Supervisors would allow the California Coastal Commission to process a Coastal Development Permit for the proposed improvements to the Ten Mile River. Otherwise, a separate Coastal Development Permit would be processed by both jurisdictions, California Coastal Commission and Mendocino County, for the improvements within each jurisdiction. However, at the request of the applicants, a resolution is being sought which would consolidate the permit review process under the California Coastal Commission for the specific project only, and streamline the permit process.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt a Resolution to allow the California Coastal Commission to process a consolidated Coastal Development Permit for The Nature Conservancy to increase winter rearing habitat for Coho Salmon and salmonids on the Ten Mile River Main stem, and authorize chair to sign same.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- A. Draft Resolution to the Board of Supervisors
- B. The Nature Conservancy Consolidation Request, dated December 18, 2020
- C. Application
- D. Location Map
- E. Appeal Area
- F. Parcels Map
- G. Project Plans submitted by The Nature Conservancy
- H. CDP\_2017-0025 Resolution 17-140
- I. CDP\_2020-0005- Resolution 20-029

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-**

RESOLUTION OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZING THE PROCESSING OF A CONSOLIDATED COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT BY THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION FOR THE NATURE CONSERVANCY TO INCREASE WINTER SURVIVAL AND REARING CAPACITY FOR COHO SALMON THROUGH VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO THE MAIN STEM OF THE TEN MILE RIVER

WHEREAS, the Coastal Act was amended by Senate Bill 1843 effective January 1, 2007, which allows for a consolidated permitting process for projects for which the Coastal Development Permit (CDP) authority is shared by a local government and the California Coastal Commission; and

WHEREAS, SB 1843 requires that the applicant, the local government and the California Coastal Commission agree to the consolidation; and

WHEREAS, the proposed winter survival and rearing capacity improvements for coho salmon and salmonids to the Ten Mile River Main stem (Phase 1) are under the coastal development permit authority of both Mendocino County and the California Coastal Commission and would otherwise require a coastal development permit from both Mendocino County and from the California Coastal Commission for the improvements located within each jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 30601.3, added by SB 1843, consolidation may only proceed where public participation is not substantially impaired by the consolidation; and

WHEREAS, public participation will not be substantially impaired as the California Coastal Commission will hold a public hearing, which may be attended by all interested parties (by either being present during a properly noticed California Coastal Commission meeting or by timely submitting comments in advance of a meeting) and the consolidation of the permit process will allow for this project, which involves improvements to the Ten Mile River Main stem to increase winter survival and rearing capacity for coho salmon and salmonids, to be evaluated in its entirety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors authorizes the California Coastal Commission to accept and process a consolidated Coastal Development Permit application for the Nature Conservancy to increase winter survival and rearing capacity for coho salmon and salmonids in the Ten Mile River Main stem (Phase 1).

, seconded by Supervisor

, and

The foregoing Resolution introduced by Supervisor

| carried this day of , 2021, by the following vote:         |                         |                             |                 |  |  |
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| ATTEST:  |                         | EL J. ANGELO<br>f the Board |                 |  | JERDE, Chair<br>cino County Board of Supervisors   |
| Deputy   |                         |                             |                 | provisio                               | by certify that according to the ons of Government Code Section delivery of this document has been |
| APPROVED AS TO FORM:<br>CHRISTIAN CURTIS<br>County Counsel |                         |                             | BY:             | CARMEL J. ANGELO<br>Clerk of the Board |  |
|  |                         | •                           |                 |  | Deputy   |



December 18, 2020

Julia Acker Krog, Chief Planner
Mendocino County Department of Planning & Building Services
120 West Fir Street
Fort Bragg, CA 95437

Dear Julia,

The Nature Conservancy (TNC) is proposing to implement a habitat restoration project to increase winter survival and rearing capacity for coho salmon on the mainstem of the Ten Mile River. The Mainstem Ten Mile Habitat Enhancement Project — Phase 1 will include construction of several engineered log jams, seasonally flooded alcoves, and creation of an off-channel seasonally flooded wetland. The project activities are split between Coastal Commission retained jurisdiction (for in-channel improvements including engineered log jams) and Mendocino County coastal jurisdiction (for off-channel improvements including the alcoves and flooded wetland). The activities will take place on Mendocino County APNs 015-140-75 (six engineered log jams and three alcoves) and 015-140-79 (off-channel flooded wetland and one engineered log jam).

Pursuant to Public Resource Code Section 30601.3, TNC is requesting that the project be consolidated and processed by the California Coastal Commission.

The following items are enclosed for your review:

- LCP application form
- Draft concept plans
- Project parcel map
- Landowner letter of authorization

TNC previously implemented two phases (Phase 1A in 2018 and Phase 1B in 2020) of restoration on the nearby South Fork of the Ten Mile River. Similar consolidation requests were processed by Mendocino County for those projects.

TNC is working with Prunuske Chatham, Inc. (PCI), to design, permit, and implement the project. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Peter van de Burgt, PCI environmental planner, at (850) 264-1882 or peter@pcz.com.

Sincerely,

David Wright
The Nature Conservancy

## COUNTY OF MENDOCINO DEPT. OF PLANNING & BUILDING SERVICES

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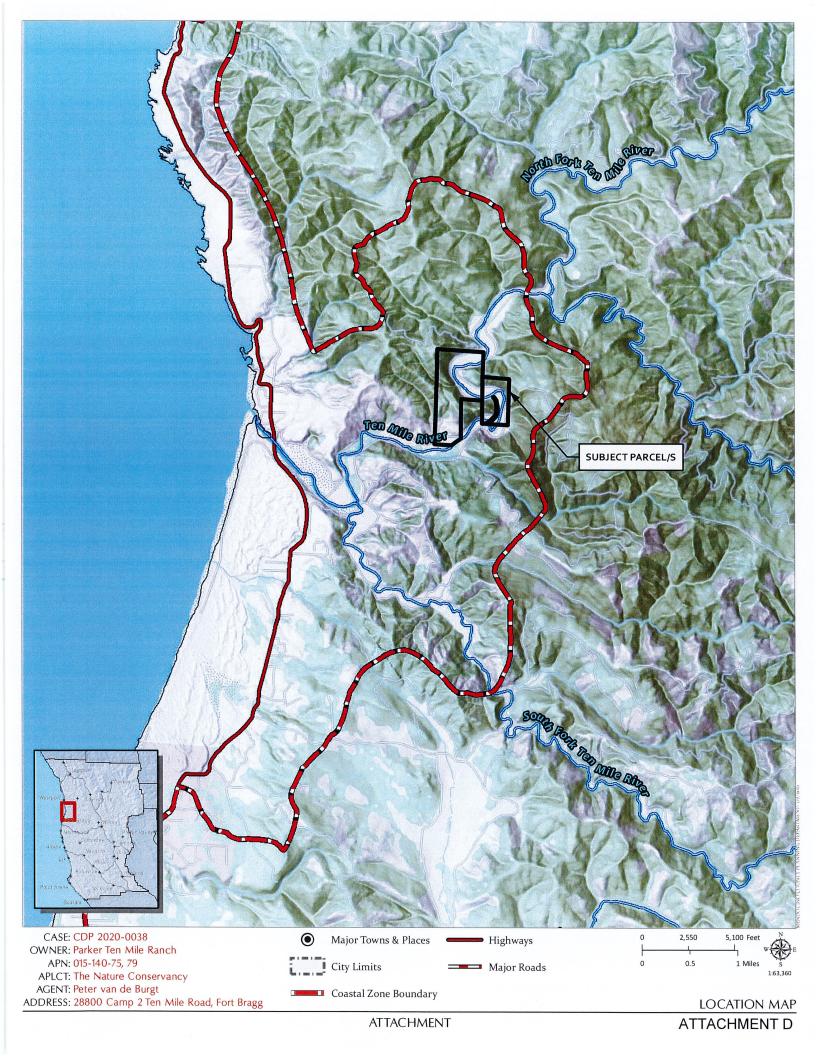
| Name of Applicant   | Name of Owner(s) Parker Ten Mile Ranch            | Name of Agent Prunuske Chatham, Inc.                            |
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| The Nature Conservancy<br>(Contact: Dave Wright)                            | (Contact: Linwood Gill)                           | (Contact: Peter van de Burgt)                                   |
| Mailing Address<br>201 Mission Street, 4th Floor<br>San Francisco, CA 94105 | Mailing Address P.O. Box 198 Fort Bragg, CA 95437 | Mailing Address 400 Morris Street, Suite G Sebastopol, CA 95472 |
| Telephone Number<br>(707) 357-4933  | Telephone Number<br>(707) 961-0377                | Telephone Number<br>(850) 264-1882                              |

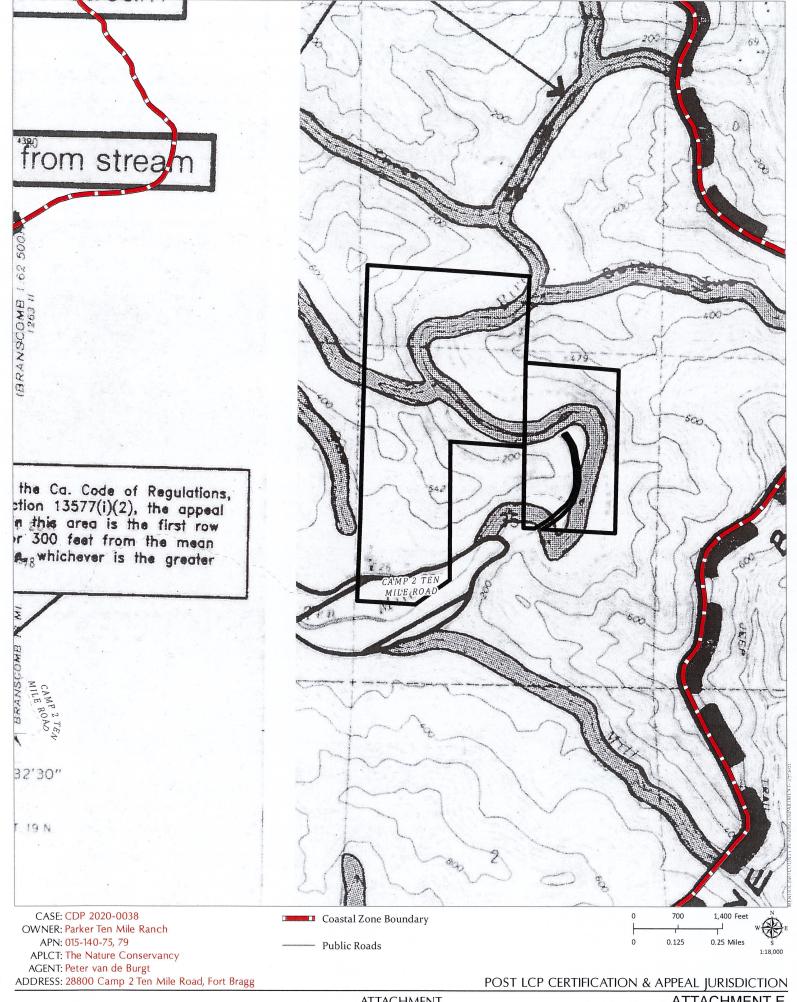
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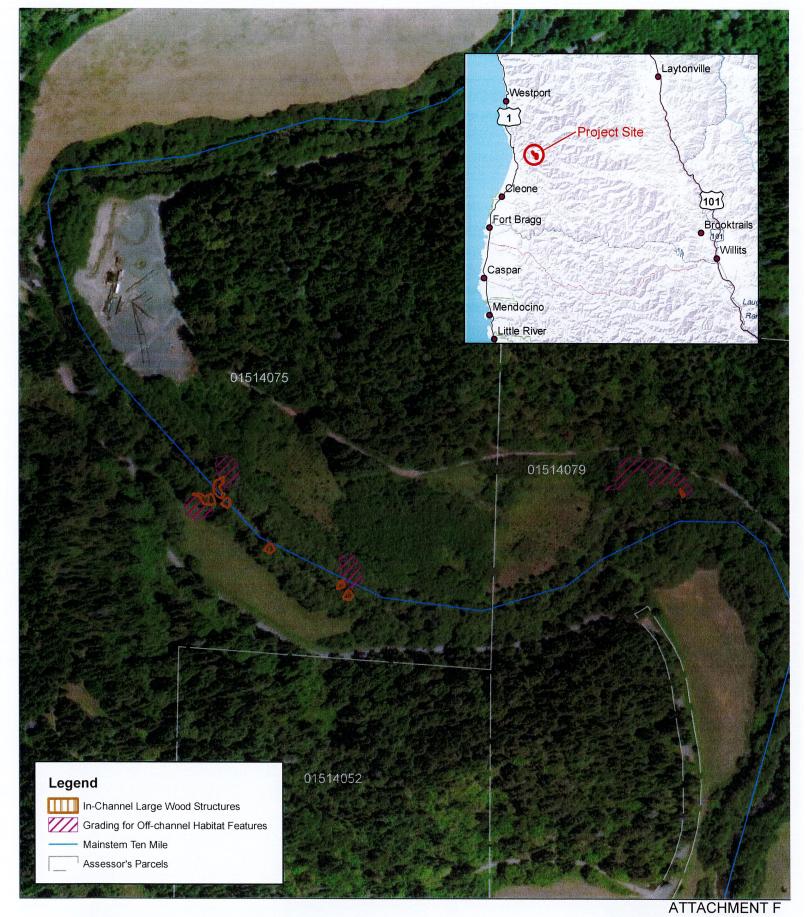
The Ten Mile River Mainstem Habitat Enhancement Project - Phase 1 will increase winter rearing habitat for coho salmon and other salmonids. The project includes construction of in-channel and off-channel habitat elements across several sites along an approximately 2,500-linear-foot reach of the Ten Mile River. Planned habitat enhancements include a series in-stream large wood structures and associated off-channel habitat alcoves intended to increase habitat complexity in a stretch of channel that currently has very little winter habitat value; an off-channel flooded wetland to provide foraging habitat and off-channel refugia for juvenile salmonids during storm events; and bank softening, berm breaching, and tree recruitment to facilitate natural geomorphic processes and increase connectivity between the channel and adjacent floodplains. These new habitat elements will significantly improve winter and spring rearing habitat for juvenile salmonids within this stretch of the Ten Mile River.

The project will be constructed in summer 2021. Small habitat restoration permits will be obtained from CDFW, the Regional Water Board, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. CEQA compliance will be completed through the Regional Water Board under the small habitat restoration exemption. Coastal permitting will be completed through the California Coastal Commission.

| Driving Directions  |  |  |
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| The site is located on theE_ (N/S/E/W) side                             | of <u>Georgia Pacific Industrial Rd</u> (name road)  |  |
| approximately 3 miles (feet/miles) E (N/S/E/W) of its intersection with |  |  |
| Highway 1(provide nearest major intersection).                          |  |  |
| Assessor's Parcel Number(s)   |  |  |
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| Parcel Size   | Street Address of Project  |  |
| 01514075: 237   | 28800 Camp 2 Ten Mile Rd   |  |
| 01514079: 77  | Fort Bragg, CA 95437   |  |
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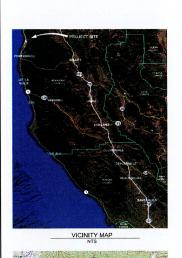




# TNC Mainstem Ten Mile River Habitat Enhancement Phase 1 Location and Vicinity

PRUNUSKE CHATHAM, INC.

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## TEN MILE RIVER MAINSTEM ENHANCEMENT PROJECT PHASE 1

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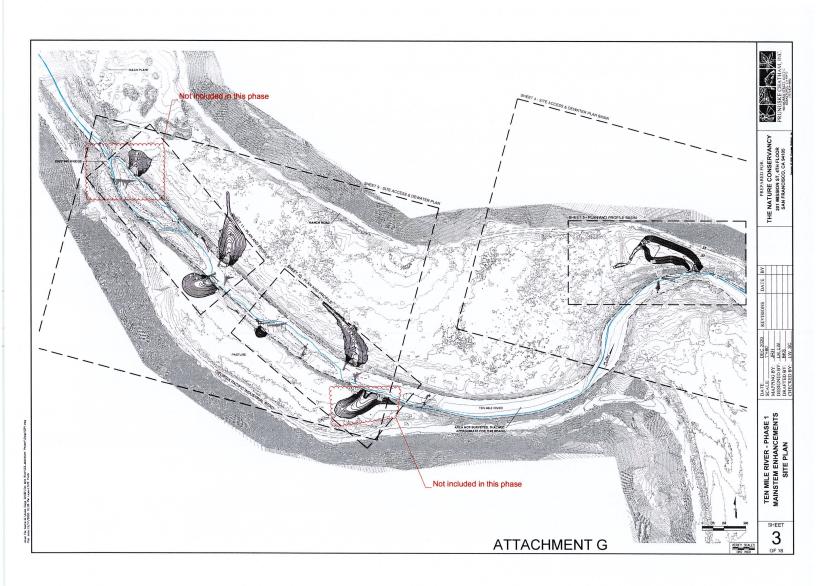
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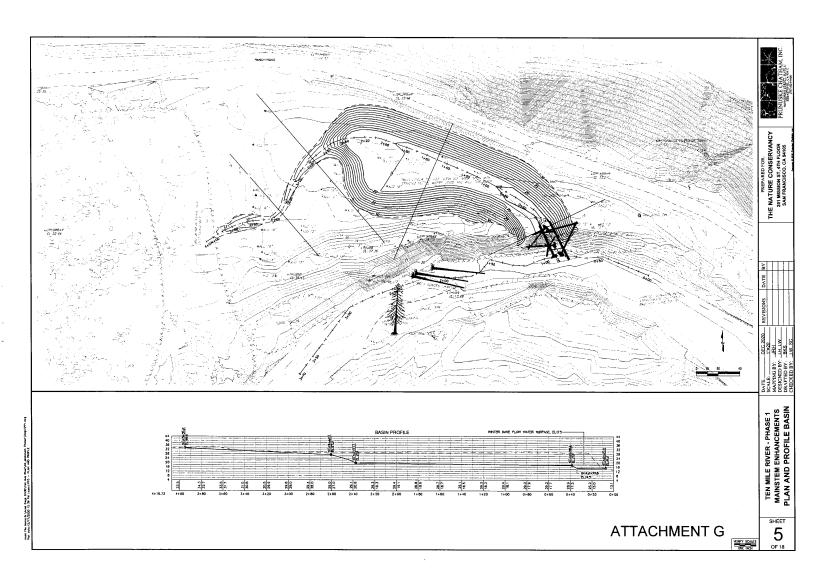


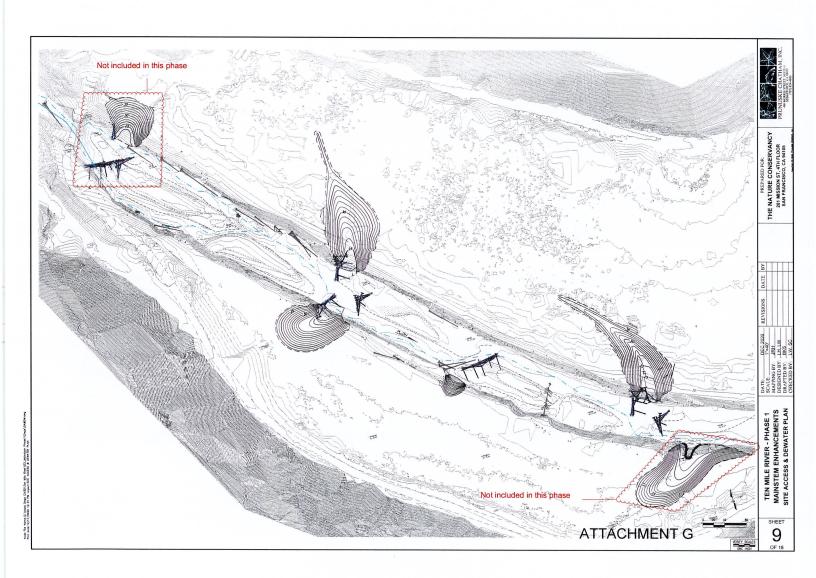
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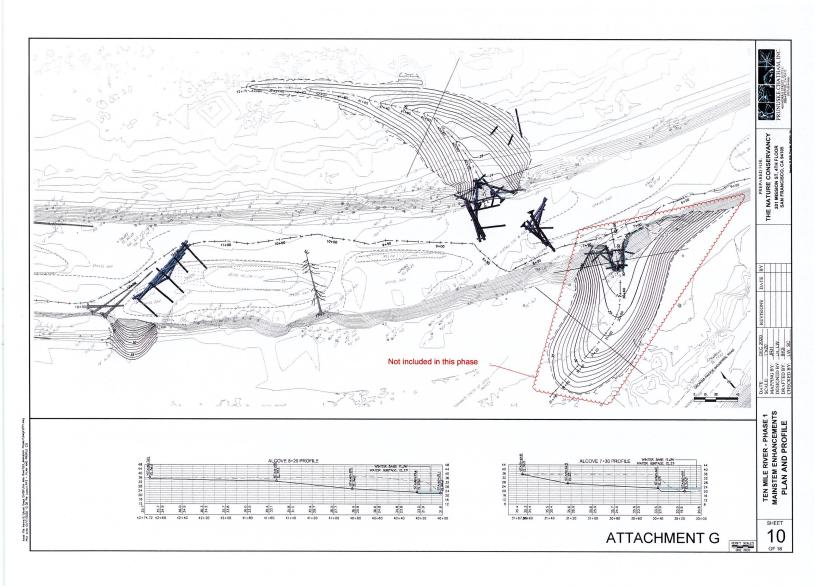
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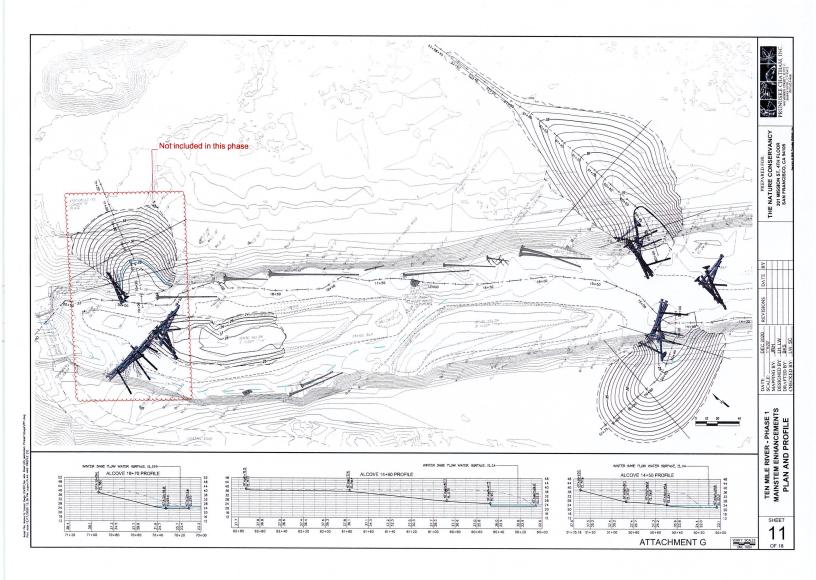
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#### **RESOLUTION NO. 17-140**

RESOLUTION OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZING THE PROCESSING OF A CONSOLIDATED COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT BY THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION FOR THE NATURE CONSERVANCY TO INCREASE WINTER SURVIVAL AND REARING CAPACITY FOR COHO SALMON THROUGH VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SOUTH FORK OF THE TEN MILE RIVER

WHEREAS, the Coastal Act was amended by Senate Bill 1843 effective January 1, 2007, which allows for a consolidated permitting process for projects for which the Coastal Development Permit (CDP) authority is shared by a local government and the California Coastal Commission; and

WHEREAS, SB 1843 requires that the applicant, the local government and the California Coastal Commission agree to the consolidation; and

WHEREAS, the proposed winter survival and rearing capacity improvements for coho salmon to the South Fork of the Ten Mile River are under the coastal development permit authority of both Mendocino County and the California Coastal Commission and would otherwise require a coastal development permit from both Mendocino County and from the California Coastal Commission for the improvements located within each jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 30601.3, added by SB 1843, consolidation may only proceed where public participation is not substantially impaired by the consolidation; and

WHEREAS, public participation will not be substantially impaired as the California Coastal Commission will hold a public hearing, which may be attended by all interested parties (by either being present during a properly noticed California Coastal Commission meeting or by timely submitting comments in advance of a meeting) and the consolidation of the permit process will allow for this project, which involves improvements to the South Fork of the Ten Mile River to increase winter survival and rearing capacity for coho salmon, to be evaluated in its entirety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors authorizes the California Coastal Commission to accept and process a consolidated Coastal Development Permit application for the Nature Conservancy to increase winter survival and rearing capacity for coho salmon in the South Fork of the Ten Mile River.

The foregoing Resolution introduced by Supervisor Croskey, seconded by Supervisor Brown, and carried this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES:

Supervisors Brown, McCowen, Croskey, Gjerde, and Hamburg

NOES:

None

ABSENT: None

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared said Resolution adopted and SO ORDERED.

ATTEST:

CARMEL J. ANGELO

Clerk of the Board

Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

KATHARINE L. ELLIOTT

County Counsel

OHN MCCOWEN. Chair

Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code Section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.

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BY:

CARMEL J. ANGELO Clerk of the Board,

Deputy

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 20-029**

RESOLUTION OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZING THE PROCESSING OF A CONSOLIDATED COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT BY THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL COMMISSION FOR THE NATURE CONSERVANCY TO INCREASE WINTER SURVIVAL AND REARING CAPACITY FOR COHO SALMON THROUGH VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SOUTH FORK OF THE TEN MILE RIVER

WHEREAS, the Coastal Act was amended by Senate Bill 1843 effective January 1, 2007, which allows for a consolidated permitting process for projects for which the Coastal Development Permit (CDP) authority is shared by a local government and the California Coastal Commission, and

WHEREAS, SB 1843 requires that the applicant, the local government and the California Coastal Commission agree to the consolidation; and

WHEREAS, the proposed winter survival and rearing capacity improvements for coho salmon to the South Fork of the Ten Mile River are under the coastal development permit authority of both Mendocino County and the California Coastal Commission and would otherwise require a coastal development permit from both Mendocino County and from the California Coastal Commission for the improvements located within each jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 30601.3, added by SB 1843, consolidation may only proceed where public participation is not substantially impaired by the consolidation; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors authorizes the California Coastal Commission to accept and process a consolidated Coastal Development Permit application for the Nature Conservancy to increase winter survival and rearing capacity for coho salmon in the South Fork of the Ten Mile River.

The foregoing Resolution introduced by Supervisor Gjerde, seconded by Supervisor Brown, and carried this 24th day of March, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:

Supervisors Brown, McCowen, Haschak, Gjerde and Williams

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

None

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared said Resolution adopted and SO ORDERED.

ATTEST:

CARMEL J. ANGELO

Clerk of the Board

Deputy

JOHN HASCHAK, Chair

Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code Section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CHRISTIAN CURTIS

Acting Counsel

BY:

CARMEL J. ANGELO Clerk of the Board

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