

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: June 27-28, 2012

Reference No.: 2.2c. (4)
Action



From: BIMLA G. RHINEHART
Executive Director

Subject: APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE EUREKA WATERFRONT COASTAL
TRAIL PROJECT (RESOLUTION E-12-37)

ISSUE:

Should the Commission, as a Responsible Agency, accept the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the Eureka Waterfront Coastal Trail Project (project) in Humboldt County and approve the project for future consideration of funding?

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Commission accept the MND and approve the project for future consideration of funding.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Eureka (City) is the CEQA lead agency for the project. On June 19, 2012 the City adopted the MND and found that the project would not have a significant effect on the environment after mitigation.

The project is located in the City of Eureka in Humboldt County. The project will construct a 1.38 mile Class I multi-use trail segment of the California Coastal Trail in the City of Eureka.

Impacts that require mitigation measures to be reduced to a less than significant level relate to aesthetics, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, hazards and hazardous materials, hydrology and water quality, and noise. Mitigation measures include, but are not limited to, covering all trucks hauling soil, sand, and other loose materials; providing mulch and/or temporary irrigation as necessary to encourage plant survival; and limiting construction activities hours.

On May 21, 2012 the City confirmed that the preferred alternative set forth in the final environmental document is consistent with the project scope of work programmed by the Commission.

The project is estimated to cost \$100,000 and is programmed with State (\$100,000) funds. Construction is estimated to begin in fiscal year 2011/12.

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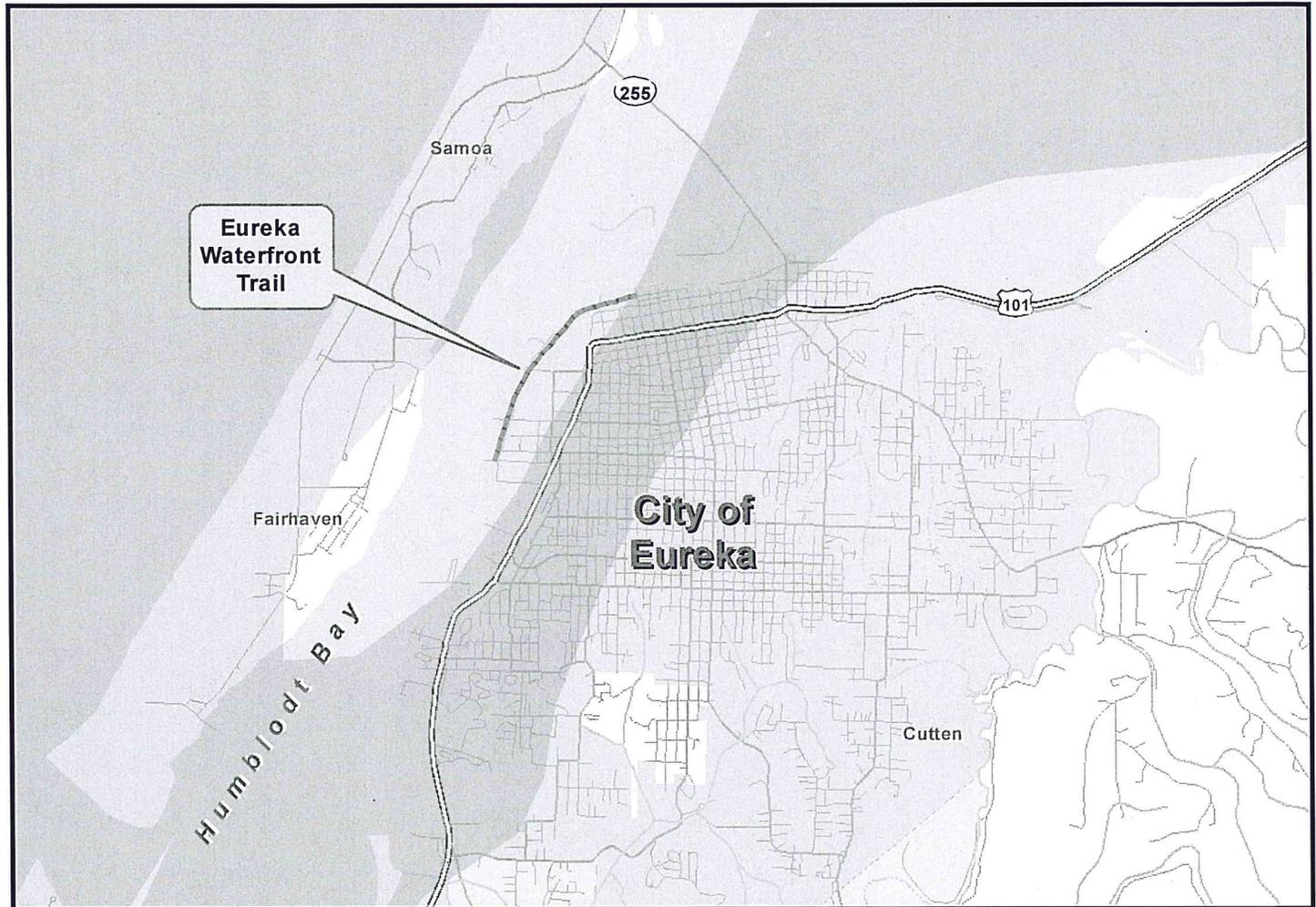
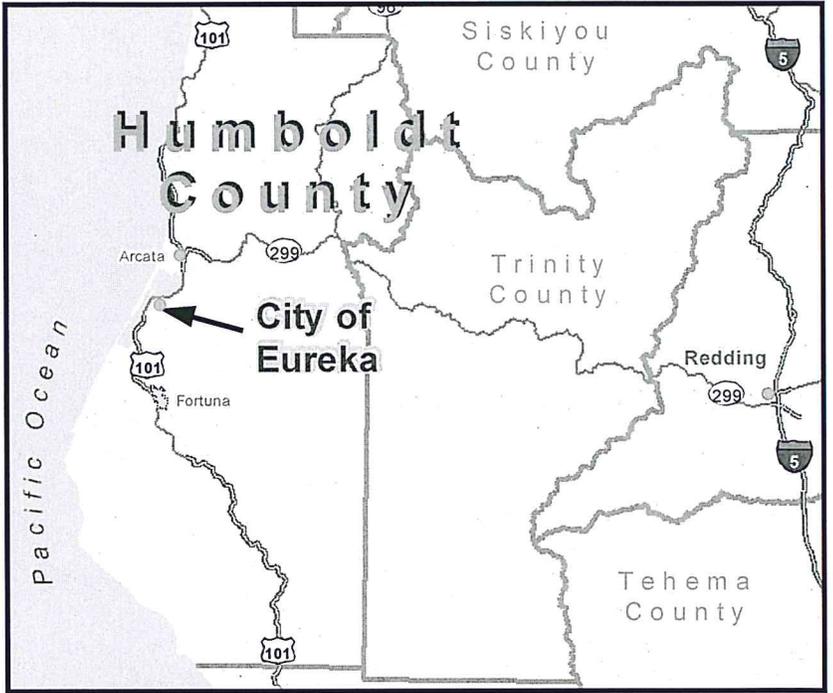
- Resolution E-12-37
- Project Location

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding 01 – Humboldt County Resolution E-12-37

- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the City of Eureka (City) has completed a Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
 - Eureka Waterfront Coastal Trail Project
- 1.2 **WHEREAS**, the City has certified that the Mitigated Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3 **WHEREAS**, the project will construct a 1.38 mile Class I multi-use trail segment of the California Coastal Trail, in the City of Eureka, Humboldt County; and
- 1.4 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a Responsible Agency, has considered the information contained in the Mitigated Negative Declaration; and
- 1.5 **WHEREAS**, the City found that all significant or potentially significant impacts can be reduced by mitigation measures to a less than significant level; and
- 1.6 **WHEREAS**, the City adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration; and
- 1.7 **WHEREAS**, the City adopted a Mitigation Monitoring Reporting Program for the project.
- 2.1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby accept the Mitigated Negative Declaration and approve the above referenced project to allow for future consideration of funding.

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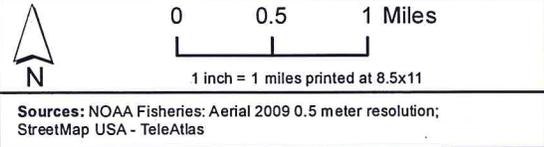


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Vicinity Map

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Eureka Waterfront Costal Trail
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