



NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION MEMORIAL TRAIL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Terra Linda / Sleepy Hollow Preserve, San Rafael, California

June 13, 2022

The Marin County Open Space District (MCOSD) is proposing a project that would implement trail improvements at Terra Linda / Sleepy Hollow Open Space Preserve and has prepared an Initial Study/Proposed Mitigated Declaration (IS/MND) to comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The purpose of this Notice of Intent to Adopt an MND (NOI) is to initiate the 30-day public review and comment period on the IS/MND. The document and the online comment form is available for review on the Marin County Parks website at: <https://www.parks.marincounty.org/projectsplans/road-and-trail-management/memorial-trail-terra-linda>

Due to restrictions associated with COVID-19, hardcopies of the document are not available to review at the MCOSD administrative office or the local library.

The comment period is June 13 – July 15, 2022 at 5:00pm.

Comments can be submitted online using the online comment form using the link provided above, by email, or USPS as follows:

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PROJECT TITLE: Memorial Trail Improvement Project

PROJECT LOCATION: Terra Linda / Sleepy Hollow Preserve, San Rafael, CA

SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT: The purpose of the proposed project is to implement the MCOSD Road and Trail Management Plan (RTMP) to provide the public with a safe multi-use trail system to enhance the visitor experience, reduce the environmental impacts on sensitive resources by reducing sedimentation and erosion, and establish a sustainable system of roads and trails that meet design and management standards and would provide year-round access along the trail alignment. The project includes the following elements, which are summarized below and fully described in the Project Description section of the IS/MND:

Trail Improvements

- Realign the Memorial Trail and change use from hiker and equestrian trail to multi-use trail
- Realign the Oak Ridge social trail to a sustainable equestrian and hiker only trail
- Upgrade the Dias Way Trail to a sustainable hiker only trail
- Realign the Malone social trail to a sustainable hiker only trail
- Incorporate and upgrade some segments of the existing social trail network into the Memorial and Malone Trails

Trail Decommissioning and Restoration

- The existing Memorial Trail alignment
- The existing Oak Ridge social trail alignments 1 and 2
- The existing Del Haro Way social trail alignment
- The existing Malone social trail alignment
- Social Trail A
- Social Trail B

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The IS identified a potentially significant environmental impact in the area of Biological Resources. A mitigation measure to reduce the significance of these impacts to a less-than-significant level is included in the IS/MND. The IS/MND concludes that, with implementation of the mitigation measures, the proposed project would not result in significant environmental impacts.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Jason Hoorn at jhoorn@marincounty.org.

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