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Prepared August 24, 2023 (for the September 6, 2023 Hearing)

To: Commissioners and Interested Parties
From: Shana Gray, North Coast District Deputy Director
Subject: **North Coast District Deputy Director's Report for September 2023**

The following coastal development permit (CDP) waivers, immaterial CDP amendments, CDP extensions, emergency CDPs, and local government acceptance of modifications for LCP certification for the North Coast District Office are being reported to the Commission on September 6, 2023. Pursuant to the Commission's procedures, each item has been appropriately noticed as required, and each item is also available for review at the Commission's North Coast District Office in Arcata. Staff is asking for the Commission's concurrence on the waivers, immaterial amendments, and time extensions. The other items are presented for the Commission's information. Staff will report any objections received and any other relevant information on these items to the Commission when it considers the North Coast District Deputy Director's report on September 6.

With respect to the September 6th hearing, interested persons may sign up to address the Commission on items contained in this report prior to the Commission's consideration of this report. The Commission can overturn staff's noticed determinations for some categories of items subject to certain criteria in each case (see individual notices for specific requirements).

Items being reported on September 6, 2023 (see attached)

Waivers

- 1-23-0660-W, City of Crescent City – Bicycle Pump Track (Del Norte County)

Emergency Permits, Time Extensions, Immaterial Amendments and LCP Certifications
- None

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**IMPORTANT *REVISED* PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE****ATTENTION: MEETING LOCATION CHANGE**

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS A REVISED NOTICE THAT SUPERSEDES AND REPLACES THE PREVIOUS NOTICE.

Due to the Smith River Complex Fires in Northern California, the Coastal Commission's meeting venue has changed to the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors Chambers located in Eureka, CA. See details below.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED PERMIT WAIVER

Date: August 22, 2023

To: All Interested Parties

From: Melissa B. Kraemer, North Coast District Manager
Doyle Coyne, Coastal Program Analyst

Subject: **Coastal Development Permit (CDP) Waiver 1-23-0660-W**
Applicant: City of Crescent City

Location: Beachfront Park (Southwest of intersection of D Street & Front Street),
Crescent City (Del Norte County) (APN(s): 118-020-031)

Proposed Development

Construct a bicycle pump track, occupying a total area of approximately 18,000 square feet with a 7,819-square-foot asphalt bicycle track with rollers and berms, designed for riders to use pumping motion for propulsion. The project will use approximately 1,700 cubic yards of imported aggregate fill material from the nearby Front Street Reconstruction Project.

Executive Director's Waiver Determination

Pursuant to Title 14, Section 13238 of the California Code of Regulations, and based on project plans and information submitted by the Applicant regarding the proposed development, the Executive Director of the California Coastal Commission hereby waives the requirement for a CDP for the following reasons:

The proposed Beachfront Park Pump Track will add a recreational amenity to the park consistent with the locally adopted Beachfront Park Master Plan. While the track will displace an approximately 18,000 square foot area of open grassy field, this represents a small portion of the grassy area in the 35-acre beachfront park and will provide additional

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recreational opportunities that are accessible to all ages and skill levels. The pump track will be located on the inland side of the park, adjacent to Front Street and will be approximately 500 feet from Crescent City Harbor and about 1,150 feet from the Pacific Ocean. Fill from the Front Street Reconstruction Project may be stockpiled at the pump track site during Winter of 2023/2024. The City will flatten the fill within the pump track footprint in a layer approximately 12 inches thick. The City will protect the biological productivity and quality of nearby coastal waters during construction and staging by using appropriate best management practices including surrounding exposed soil with silt fences, and hydroseeding and covering fill with straw mulch. The City's final post-construction design will manage stormwater runoff using vegetated swales and French drains. Thus, as designed the project will not create direct runoff to open waterways. Disturbed ground in the pump track's area will be revegetated. Pump track features will not exceed six feet in height above ground level and won't obstruct views to and along the coast including views from the multimodal section of the California Coastal Trail that runs through the park. There are no Ecologically Sensitive Habitat Areas (ESHAs) within the footprint of the project. Construction of the pump track will not increase the risk of coastal hazards such as coastal erosion or tsunamis. Project activities will not interfere with the public's ability to access the sea. The City will place signage directing pedestrians to alternative access routes during temporary periods of active construction at the site.

Therefore, the proposed development will not result in any significant adverse impacts to sensitive habitat, visual resources, or public access. Therefore, the proposed development is consistent with all applicable Chapter Three policies of the Coastal Act.

Coastal Commission Review Procedure

This waiver is not valid until it has been reported to the Coastal Commission and the site of the proposed development has been appropriately noticed, pursuant to sec. 13054(b) of the California Code of Regulations. The Notice of Pending Permit shall remain posted at the site until the waiver has been validated and no less than seven days prior to the Commission hearing. **This waiver is proposed to be reported to the Commission on Wednesday, September 6, 2023.** If four or more Commissioners object to this waiver at that time, then the application shall be processed as a regular CDP application.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS WILL BE A HYBRID MEETING, WITH BOTH VIRTUAL AND IN PERSON PARTICIPATION ALLOWED. Please see the Coastal Commission's Hybrid Hearing Procedures posted on the Coastal Commission's webpage at www.coastal.ca.gov for details on the procedures of this hearing. If you would like to receive a paper copy of the Coastal Commission's Hybrid Hearing Procedures, please email northcoast@coastal.ca.gov or call 415-904-5202.

The in-person hearing will be held at **Humboldt County Board of Supervisors Chambers, Humboldt County Courthouse, 825 5th Street, Eureka, CA 95501.** The Commission strongly encourages continued participation virtually through video and teleconferencing due to changing Covid-19 conditions.

If you have any questions about the proposal, please contact Doyle Coyne in the North Coast District office at Doyle.Coyne@coastal.ca.gov.

cc: Crescent City Community Development Dept.