

RESOLUTION NO. .

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THE TUNITAS CREEK BEACH IMPROVEMENT PROJECT'S INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION, DATED OCTOBER 2021

RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that

WHEREAS, the Tunitas Creek Beach Property ("Property") is located approximately eight miles south of the City of Half Moon Bay in unincorporated San Mateo County, totals approximately 58 acres in size, and includes almost one mile of sandy beach, steep coastal bluffs, and the mouth of Tunitas Creek; and

WHEREAS, the Property was acquired by the County of San Mateo to be converted into the newest county park; and

WHEREAS, the Tunitas Creek Beach Improvement Project's Preferred Plan was prepared based on: (i) the core values identified by the Community Advisory Committee, (ii) data collected during the public engagement process, (iii) impacts to natural and cultural resources, (iv) environmental permitting requirements, (v) known Property constraints, and (vi) the Department's ability to efficiently and effectively manage the Property for coastal access and recreation and habitat restoration and preservation; and

WHEREAS, on February 23, 2021, this Board approved the Preferred Plan for the Tunitas Creek Beach Improvement Project and directed the San Mateo County Parks

Department (“Department”) to proceed with the preparation of Plans, Specifications, and Estimates and a California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) review; and

WHEREAS, consistent with CEQA requirements, the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (“IS/MND”), which was completed in October 2021 and is attached hereto as Exhibit A, assessed the Preferred Plan’s potential environmental impacts on the following categories: Aesthetics, Agricultural and Forest, Air Quality, Biological and Cultural Resources, Energy, Geology and Soils, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Hydrology and Water Quality, Land Use, Mineral Resources, Noise and Vibration, Population and Housing, Public Service, Recreation, Transportation, Tribal Cultural Resources, Utilities and Service Systems, and Wildfire; and

WHEREAS, according to the analysis in the IS/MND, there is the potential for adverse impacts to occur during construction of the Project but those impacts will be reduced to less-than-significant levels through changes that have been required in the Project and/or that have been made conditions of Project approval and these changes have been incorporated into a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (“MMRP”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 15105 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, the IS/MND was released for a 30-day public review/comment period between September 2, 2021 and October 1, 2021, during which time, three comments were received and a response to each comment has been prepared and included in the IS/MND; and

WHEREAS, certification of the IS/MND will complete the CEQA process for the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED that this Board has reviewed and considered the IS/MND and all comments received regarding the IS/MND and the responses thereto, and on the basis of the record as a whole before this Board, confirms and finds that the IS/MND is adequate for use by this Board, and on the basis of this review and consideration, there is no substantial evidence that the Project, as changed and conditioned as reflected in the MMRP, will have a significant effect on the environment and this Board hereby confirms its certification of the IS/MND.

IT IS FURTHER DETERMINED AND ORDERED that this Board adopts the above-referenced MMRP.

IT IS FURTHER DETERMINED AND ORDERED that these determinations and orders reflect the independent judgment of this Board.

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