

P R O C L A M A T I O N
RECOGNIZING
"STORMWATER AWARENESS WEEK"
SEPTEMBER 26-30, 2022

WHEREAS, stormwater runoff can become polluted by pesticides, fertilizers, oils, plastic packaging, litter, pet waste, cigarette butts, and eroded soils as it runs along roads, sidewalks, parking lots, roofs, and lawns; and

WHEREAS, runoff flows into the storm sewer system that eventually flows into waterways (rivers, streams, and the ocean); and

WHEREAS, plants and soil filter water and improve water quality and site improvements, such as porous pavement, native plants, rain gardens, and bioswales which help with pollution prevention in stormwater runoff; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Bragg's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program promotes pollution prevention for our stormwater discharges; and

WHEREAS, by focusing attention on pollution prevention in stormwater runoff, the City of Fort Bragg aims to meet the challenges of environmental protection and environmental regulation through stewardship; and

WHEREAS, Stormwater Awareness Week is an opportunity for government, industry, and environmental organizations to recognize the potential of stormwater pollution prevention within our local watershed.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bernie Norvell, Mayor of the City of Fort Bragg, on behalf of the entire City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of September 26-30, 2022, as Stormwater Awareness Week and recognize the Public Works Department Maintenance Crew for their diligence in cleaning the City's storm drains and responding to work orders, and the Engineering Department for the implementation of the NPDES Permitting requirements.

SIGNED this 26th day of September, 2022

BERNIE NORVELL, Mayor

ATTEST:

June Lemos, MMC, City Clerk

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