

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON THE
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE
CENTRAL COAST TRANSFER STATION PROJECT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of Mendocino and City of Fort Bragg, Caspar Joint Powers Authority (JPA) as Lead Agency, has completed a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for public review and comment for the Central Coast Transfer Station project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Mendocino Solid Waste Management Authority (MSWMA) is the representing partner agency of the Caspar JPA.

Applicant: Mendocino Solid Waste Management Authority

State Clearinghouse Number: 2014012058

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENT: Public review and written comments on the Draft EIR are invited. The document is available for review at the following locations:

- 1) MSWMA office, 3200 Taylor Drive, Ukiah, CA 95482
- 2) Fort Bragg City Hall, 416 N. Franklin Street, Fort Bragg CA 95437
- 3) Fort Bragg Library, 499 E. Laurel Street, Fort Bragg CA 95437
- 4) MSWMA website at: <http://mendorecycle.org/>

PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD: State law requires a minimum 45 day public review period for the Draft EIR. The public review period begins on February 9, 2015 and ends March 26, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. All comments must be submitted to the MSWMA within this time period. Comments may be provided in writing, by email or orally at a public hearing. All comments received by the close of the comment period will be responded to in writing in the Final EIR. The Final EIR must be completed and certified by the Caspar JPA governing bodies before a decision can be made on the proposed project.

Written comments may be submitted to: Mendocino Solid Waste Management Authority, 3200 Taylor Drive, Ukiah, CA 95482, Attention Mike Sweeney, General Manager: sweeney@pacific.net. Telephone (707) 468-9710, Fax (707) 462-3517.

PUBLIC HEARING: A public hearing is scheduled for purposes of receiving public comments on the Draft EIR on March 19, 2015 at or after 6:00 p.m. at the Fort Bragg Town Hall, 363 N. Main Street, Fort Bragg, California.

PROJECT LOCATION: The proposed project site for the new transfer station is located in unincorporated Mendocino County approximately 3.5 miles southeast of downtown Fort Bragg. The site lies within the Jackson Demonstration State Forest (JDSF) at 30075 State Route 20 and includes a portion of Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) 019-150-05.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project is the construction and operation of a municipal solid waste transfer station serving the incorporated City of Fort Bragg and the surrounding unincorporated coastal area of Mendocino County extending from the town

of Westport to the Navarro River. The proposed transfer station location is within a 17-acre portion of JDSF (APN 019-150-05), adjacent to State Route (SR) 20, at 30075 SR 20, Fort Bragg, California, and is 3.0 miles east of the intersection of State Highway 1 and SR 20.

CEQA STATUS: The Draft EIR has been prepared consistent with CEQA (Public Resources Code [PRC] Section 21000 et seq.) and the State CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations [CCR] Title 14, Section 15000 et seq.). The project could result in significant impacts and mitigation measures have been proposed to reduce the significance of impacts to a less than significant level in the areas of: air quality and odor, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, hydrology and water quality, and transportation. The project site is not on any of the lists of hazardous waste sites enumerated under Governmental Code Section 65962.5.

/s/ Mike Sweeney, General Manager
Mendocino Solid Waste Management Authority
February 9, 2015