



<b>AGENCY:</b>	City Council
<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	July 21, 2015
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	Administration
<b>PRESENTED BY:</b>	M. Sweeney (MSWMA)

## **AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

### **TITLE:**

**RECEIVE REPORT AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE CENTRAL COAST TRANSFER STATION PROJECT, ADOPTING FINDINGS OF FACT, ADOPTING A MITIGATION MONITORING PROGRAM, AND APPROVING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROJECT**

### **ISSUE:**

The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors and the Fort Bragg City Council will conduct a joint meeting to consider certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report and approval of the implementation for the Central Coast Transfer Station project.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Adopt City Council resolution certifying the Environmental Impact Report for the Central Coast Transfer Station Project, adopting Findings of Fact, adopting a Mitigation Monitoring Program, and approving the implementation of the project.

### **ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):**

1. No action. Under this alternative, no action would be taken and a commercial, long haul transfer station would not be developed to serve the central coast region.
2. Continue action. Under this alternative, the Council would continue action on the project and provide direction to staff regarding additional information that is needed in order to inform its decision on the project.

### **ANALYSIS:**

This agenda packet includes the following documents that provide information and analysis of the project:

1. Draft Environmental Impact Report for Central Coast Transfer Station Project
2. Response to Comments for Central Coast Transfer Station Project
3. Memo to Board of Supervisors and City Council from Mike Sweeney
4. Resolution for project approvals
5. Exhibit A to Resolution – Findings of Fact
6. Exhibit B to Resolution – Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

To date, the funding source for the work on the Central Coast Transfer Station has been primarily the Caspar Transfer Station "rent surcharge" which yields approximately \$50,000/year. Design, construction, and operation of the new Transfer Station would be undertaken by a private-industry entity under contract with the County. These costs would be offset by the tipping fees at the Transfer Station.

Ultimately, the transfer station will have a positive fiscal impact on both the City and the County, in general, and on tipping fees for disposal of solid waste. Currently, solid waste from the north coastal area is trucked to the Willits Transfer Station where it is then loaded into long-haul trailers and shipped to the Potrero Hills Landfill. By loading the waste at a local transfer station, transportation costs and, consequently, tipping fees will be reduced. Ballpark estimates for construction of the facility, without land acquisition costs, are in the \$4-5 million range. This estimate includes costs for permitting, environmental review, design and engineering, construction, and equipment.

**IMPLEMENTATION/TIMEFRAMES:**

If the City Council and Board of Supervisors agree to move forward with the new transfer station project, the next step is for the County to exercise the option to acquire the project site. Then a request for proposals will be issued, followed by negotiation of a contract with a private-industry entity who will design, build and operate the facility.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

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**NOTIFICATION:**

Notices of July 21, 2015 meeting mailed to approximately 400 property owners; published in Advocate-News; posted on City website and notice case; two press releases issued.

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Resolution No.:	_____ Ordinance No.: _____		
Moved by:	_____ Seconded by: _____		
Vote:	_____		
<input type="checkbox"/> Deferred/Continued to meeting of:	_____		
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