

**HISTORICAL RESOURCES EVALUATION REPORT FOR THE FORT BRAGG COASTAL
RESTORATION AND TRAIL PROJECT, CITY OF FORT BRAGG, MENDOCINO
COUNTY, CALIFORNIA**

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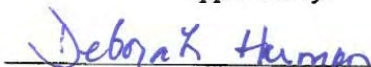
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BUILT ENVIRONMENT RESOURCES

A total of two (2) built environment resources, including a district containing 14 buildings, were evaluated within the APE:

Pudding Creek Trestle and Union Lumber Company Haul Road (P-23-2650/CA-MEN-2946H)

The subject property is a timber trestle bridge located in MacKerricher State Park on the former railroad alignment of the Ten Mile River Railroad/log haul road for the Union Lumber Company mill. In 1949, the rail line and trestle were converted from railroad use to a paved vehicular haul road, for use by special trucks that were too large to travel on the state highway system. The haul road and trestle remained in use by the lumber mill until 1983. In 1986, a portion of the haul road containing the Pudding Creek Trestle was acquired for use by MacKerricher State Park.

The Union Lumber Company Mill Historic District (P-23-4385)

The former Union Lumber Company Mill (later, Georgia-Pacific) property consists of 25 extant buildings that date from approximately 1900 to 1963. A 2003 survey completed by TRC Companies, Inc. identified 50 extant buildings and structures on the property, of which 22 were found to be contributors to a historic district (Parker et. al 2003). The remaining 28 non-contributing buildings were constructed between 1970 and 1990. Although TRC concluded that the property was eligible for listing in the NRHP as a historic district, it does not appear that the report was ever submitted to SHPO for review and concurrence. Since 2003, eight of the 22 buildings determined to be contributors to a potential historic district have been demolished, leaving only 14 extant, ostensibly contributing buildings, as follows:

- Yard and Medical Office, c. 1955 (P-23-4403)
- Dry Kilns/Cooling Sheds, c. 1950-1960 (P-23-4405)
- Construction Office, c. 1950 (P-23-4406)
- Dry Shed #5, c. 1950 (P-23-4409)
- Dry Shed #4, c. 1960 (P-23-4410)
- Planer Building #50, c. 1950 (P-23-4411)
- Finger Joint PMF Lease Building, c. 1960 (P-23-4449)
- ReSaw Building #6 (Planer #1), c. 1960 (P-23-4450)
- Finger Joint Warehouse, c. 1960 (P-23-4451)
- Old Gate/Sentry Station, c. 1945 (P-23-4452)
- Conference Room, c. 1945 (P-23-4453)
- GP Main Office, c. 1945 (P-23-4455)
- Communications Building, c. 1950 (P-23-4459)
- Dynamite Shed, c. 1900 (P-23-4461)

While construction dates are estimated, 13 of the 14 extant buildings were constructed after 1945. With the exception of the Dynamite Shed, the buildings are generally simple, post-war utilitarian warehouses and office buildings.

The remaining built environment resources within the APE for the proposed project are exempt from evaluation according to Attachment 4 of the Section 106 Programmatic Agreement. Exempted resources include several modern buildings associated with the wastewater treatment facility located to the south of Soldier Bay, an airstrip in the South Parkland, and a cluster of manufactured homes located in the southern portion of the APE within site P-23-4305 occupied the Noyo Pomo Tribe.

The Noyo Lumber Mill and Ethnographic Village of Kadiu (CA-MEN-3328H/P-23-4305). This resource appears **eligible** for listing in the NRHP and CR at the local level of significance under Criteria A/1 and D/4 as a contributing element of the Fort Bragg Native American Archaeological District. That district is characterized by Van Bueren (2010a) in the Historic Properties Survey Report for this undertaking. The District has a period of significance that extends from the prehistoric era until 1960. Although no testing has taken place at this resource, it contributes to the district in several important ways. Indigenous people worked at the Noyo mill between the 1850s and 1880 at the mouth of the Noyo River in a location that may have been a prehistoric village according to Pomo elder Harriett Rhoades (2010:pers. comm.). The mill worker cabins were then occupied by Pomo families as the *Kadiu* village after the mill closed in 1880. The *Kadiu* village was moved to the top of the headland around 1940 and remains the only coastal Pomo village in Mendocino County still occupied to the present time. The site is also judged likely to yield important information under Criterion D about the adjustments made by its indigenous inhabitants during the historic period. The modern buildings present at this site do not contribute to its eligibility and have been exempted from evaluation under Attachment 4 of the PA.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

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Table 2 provides a summary of the historic properties identified within the APE for the proposed project. Zero (0) resources were previously listed in the National Register. Zero (0) resources were previously determined eligible for the National Register. Zero (0) resources were previously determined not eligible for the National Register. Three (3) properties appear eligible for the National Register as a result of the current study (Table 3). Four (4) properties appear not eligible for the NRHP as a result of this study (Table 4).

Table 2. Total Cultural Resources in the APE.

Property Historic Significance	Properties
Historic properties listed in the National Register	0
Historic properties previously determined eligible for the National Register	0
Resources previously determined <i>not</i> eligible for the National Register	0
Historic properties that appear eligible for the National Register as a result of the current study	3
Resources that appear <i>not</i> eligible for the National Register as a result of the current study	4
Resources for which further study is needed because evaluation was not possible	3
Historical resources for the purposes of CEQA (resources in this category would include California Register listed or eligible [per State Historical Resources Commission determination] resources, resources identified as significant in surveys that meet State Office of Historic Preservation standards, resources that are designated landmarks under local ordinances, and resources that meet the California Register criteria as outlined in PRC Section 5024.1.)	3
Resources that are <i>not</i> historical resources under CEQA, per CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5, because they do not meet the California Register criteria outlined in PRC Section 5024.1	4

Table 3. Properties that Appear Eligible for the NRHP as a Result of this Study.

Name	Address/Location	Community	OHP Status Code	Primary/Trinomial No.
Noyo Lumber Mill/Ethnographic Village of Kadiu	South end of APE	Fort Bragg	2D2	P-23-4305/CA-MEN-3328H
Gus West Island	Central portion of APE	Fort Bragg	3S	P-23-3773/CA-MEN-3139H
Noyo Point Cemetery	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	2D2	P-23-1102/CA-MEN-1199H

Table 4. Properties that Appear Not Eligible for the NRHP as a Result of this Study.

Name	Address/Location	Community	OHP Status Code	Primary/Trinomial No.
Glass Beach 1/Elm Street Dump (1949-1967)	Glass Beach	Fort Bragg	6Z	P-23-1296/CA-MEN-1401H
Pudding Creek Trestle/haul road	MacKerricher State Park	Fort Bragg	6Z	P-23-2650/CA-MEN-2946H
Union Lumber Mill District and associated features:	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	6Z	P-23-4385
Yard and Medical Office	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	6Z	P-23-4403
Dry Kilns/Cooling Sheds	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	6Z	P-23-4405
Construction Office	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	6Z	P-23-4406
Dry Shed #5	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	6Z	P-23-4409
Dry Shed #4	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	6Z	P-23-4410
Planer #50	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	6Z	P-23-4411
Finger Joint PMF Lease	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	6Z	P-23-4449
ReSaw #6	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	6Z	P-23-4450
Finger Joint Warehouse	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	6Z	P-23-4451
Old Gate/Sentry Station	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	6Z	P-23-4452
Conference Room	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	6Z	P-23-4453
GP Main Office	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	6Z	P-23-4455
Communications Building	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	6Z	P-23-4459
Dynamite Shed	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	3CS	P-23-4461
Glass Beach 3 historic dump	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	6Z	P-23-4823

Three (3) properties require further study because they also contain buried prehistoric archaeological components that require separate evaluation (Table 5). Refer to the Combined HPSR/FOE prepared for this project for further discussion of these properties (Van Bueren 2010a).

Table 5. Properties Requiring Further Study.

Name	Address/Location	Community	OHP Status Code	Primary/Trinomial No.
Soldier Point	south APE	Fort Bragg	7	P-23-3772/CA-MEN-3138/H
Glass Beach 2 (Fir Street Dump, pre-1949)	Georgia-Pacific Lumber Mill	Fort Bragg	7	P-23-3775/CA-MEN-3141/H
Noyo Landing	south APE	Fort Bragg	7	P-23-4579/CA-MEN-3392/H

Three (3) Properties are historical resources for the purposes of CEQA (Table 6).

Table 6. Properties that are Historical Resources under CEQA

Name	Address/Location	Community	OHP Status Code	Primary/Trinomial No.
Noyo Point Cemetery	South end of APE	Fort Bragg	2D2	P-23-1102/CA-MEN-1199H
Noyo Lumber Mill/Ethnographic Village of Kadiu	South end of APE	Fort Bragg	2D2	P-23-4305/CA-MEN-3328H
Gus West Island	Central portion of APE	Fort Bragg	3S	P-23-3773/CA-MEN-3139H

Shannon Carmack, who meets the Professionally Qualified Staff Standards in Section 106 PA Attachment 1 as an Architectural Historian, has determined that the only other properties present within the APE, including state-owned resources, meet the criteria for Section 106 Programmatic Agreement, Attachment 4 (Properties Exempt from Evaluation). Thad Van Bueren, who meets the Professionally Qualified Staff Standards in Section 106 PA Attachment 1 as a Principal Investigator for Historical Archaeology, has determined that the only other historical archaeological properties present within the APE, including state-owned resources, meet the criteria for Section 106 Programmatic Agreement, Attachment 4 (Properties Exempt from Evaluation). The APE also contains numerous prehistoric archaeological sites and site components that are separately evaluated in the attached Combined HPSR/FOE for this undertaking (Van Bueren 2010a).