



County of Sonoma
State of California

Date: October 22, 2024

Item Number: _____

Resolution Number: _____

4/5 Vote Required

**Resolution Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California,
Adopting The Project Specific Analysis For Rio Nido Shaded Fuel Break Vegetation Treatment
Program And The GuerneWood Shaded Fuel Break Vegetation Treatment Program,
Collectively Known As The Northside Russian River Shaded Fuel Break, Adopting the
Mitigation Monitoring And Reporting Program, Findings and a Statement Of Overriding
Considerations for the Northside Russian River Shaded Fuel Break, And Authorizing The
County Executive Officer of the County of Sonoma To Accept And Sign A CAL FIRE Wildfire
Prevention Grant Agreement**

Whereas, the Board of Supervisors authorized the distribution of PG&E Settlement funds to create the Sonoma County Vegetation Management Grant Program; and

Whereas, the Sonoma County Vegetation Management Grant Program identified the Rio Nido Shaded Fuel Break Vegetation Treatment Program Project and GuerneWood Shaded Fuel Break Vegetation Treatment Program Project, collectively known as the Northside Russian River Shaded Fuel Break, as high priority projects to protect community and environmental assets from the risk of wildfire; and

Whereas, the Sonoma County Vegetation Management Grant Program funded the environmental review documentation for the Northside Russian River Shaded Fuel Break; and

Whereas, the County of Sonoma, through the Vegetation Management Coordinator, applied for and received CALFIRE Wildfire Prevention Grant funding for the implementation of the Northside Russian River Shaded Fuel Break; and

Whereas, the California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection adopted the California Vegetation Treatment Program Programmatic Environmental Impact Report (CalVTP PEIR), to be used by responsible agencies for streamlining critical vegetation management projects; and

Whereas, the Northside Russian River Shaded Fuel Break Project, which includes the Rio Nido Shaded Fuel Break Vegetation Treatment Program and Guernewood Shaded Fuel Break Vegetation Treatment Program are within the scope of California Vegetation Treatment Program Environmental Impact Report (CalVTP PEIR); and

Whereas, pursuant to the requirements and intent of the CalVTP, the County prepared Project Specific Analysis (PSA) for the Rio Nido Shaded Fuel Break Vegetation Treatment Program component of the Northside Russian River Shaded Fuel Break and the Guernewood Shaded Fuel Break Vegetation Treatment Program component of the Northside Russian River Shaded Fuel Break and a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Northside Russian River Shaded Fuel Break; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma directs the County Executive Officer to enter into a grant agreement with CALFIRE for the Northside Russian River Shaded Fuel Break.

Be It Further Resolved that the Board of Supervisors of Sonoma County;

1. Adopts the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Northside Russian River Shaded Fuel Break (Exhibit B).
2. Adopts the Rio Nido Shaded Fuel Break Vegetation Treatment Program PSA (Exhibit A) and the Guernewood Shaded Fuel Break Vegetation Treatment Program PSA (Exhibit C).
3. Concurs with each of the findings concerning environmental impacts and mitigation measures in the Findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations for CEQA Project-Specific Analysis and Addendum Regarding the Northside Russian River Shaded Fuel Break (Exhibit E), incorporating

those findings by reference into this Resolution.

4. Finds that there are no additional feasible alternatives or feasible mitigation measures within the County's jurisdiction that would substantially lessen or avoid any significant effect the project would have on the environment.
5. Finds that the triggers for additional environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15162 are not met.
6. Concurs with and adopts the Statement of Overriding Considerations in Exhibit E, incorporating that Statement of Overriding Considerations by reference into this Resolution.

Be It Further Resolved that the Board of Supervisors directs staff of the Permit and Resource Management Department to file a Notice of Determination with the County Clerk.

Be It Further Resolved that the Clerk of the Board is designated as the custodian of documents and other materials that constitute the record of the proceedings upon which the Board's decision is herein based. These documents may be found at the office of the Clerk of the Board, 575 Administration Drive, Room 100A, Santa Rosa, California, 95403.

Supervisors:

Gorin:

Coursey:

Gore:

Hopkins:

Rabbitt:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

So Ordered.