

7. Effects Found Not to Be Significant

CEQA Guidelines Section 15128 requires an EIR to briefly describe any possible significant effects that were determined not to be significant and were, therefore, not discussed in detail in the EIR. As discussed in the NOP issued in April 2018, an evaluation of agricultural and forest resources, and mineral resources were eliminated from further evaluation during scoping for the reasons presented below.

7.1 Agriculture and Forest Resources

The project site does not include any Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, Farmland of Statewide Importance, or land covered by a Williamson Act contract (California Department of Conservation 2015). There are no parcels in the PCSD service area that are in agricultural production. In addition, the project site is not zoned for agricultural, forest land, or timberland, nor are there any agricultural or forest lands within the confines of the project site (Humboldt County 2018). No impact to agriculture or forest resources would occur.

7.2 Mineral Resources

Humboldt County has not yet been included in the California Mineral Land Classification System by the State Mining and Geology Board to designate lands containing mineral deposits of regional or statewide significance, and there are no mining operations in the project area. Construction of the project would not result in the loss of a known mineral resource or availability of a locally-important mineral resource recovery site as delineated on a land use plan, such as a local general plan or specific plan. Neither the County of Humboldt General Plan or HBAP designate the project site as having a known mineral resource of value (Humboldt County 2014, Humboldt County 2017). No impact to mineral resources would occur.

7.3 References

California Department of Conservation. 2015. Humboldt County Williamson Act FY 2015/2016 Sheet 2 of 2.

Humboldt County. 2014. Humboldt County General Plan Volume II, Humboldt Bay Area Plan of the Humboldt County Local Coastal Program. December

Humboldt County. 2017. Humboldt County General Plan for Areas Outside of the Coastal Zone. October 23.

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