

RESOLUTION 2024-282

**RESOLUTION OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVING THE PROJECT SPECIFIC ANALYSIS AND
ADDENDUM TO CALIFORNIA VEGETATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
PROGRAMMATIC EIR FOR THE TENMILE CREEK FOREST HEALTH PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the California Vegetation Treatment Program (CalVTP), approved by the California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (“Board”) on December 30, 2019, is a statewide program by which public agencies, through a series of individual projects, will undertake to perform vegetation treatment activities for the purposes of wildfire prevention on lands within the State Responsibility Area (SRA) that make up the “treatable landscape”, and;

WHEREAS, on the same date on which the Board approved the CalVTP, the Board also certified a related Final Program Environmental Impact Report (FPEIR) prepared pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to comprehensively address the anticipated environmental effects of vegetation treatment activities that might be conducted anywhere within the SRA “treatable landscape”, and;

WHEREAS, the Board of Forestry, acting as a CEQA lead agency, prepared the FPEIR with the goal of providing streamlined CEQA review for public agencies considering vegetation treatment activities within the treatable landscape, and;

WHEREAS, public agencies can rely solely on the FPEIR with (i) the completion of a Project Specific Analysis (PSA) showing that projects’ impacts are all covered by the FPEIR and (ii) the commitment to carry out all of the applicable Standard Project Requirements (SPRs) and mitigation requirements set forth in the FPEIR, and;

WHEREAS, the Mendocino County Resource Conservation District (MCRCD) is a Special District established under Division 9 of the California Public Resources Code to deliver and facilitate natural resources conservation in coordination with landowners of Mendocino County; and

WHEREAS, the MCRCD is assisting the Eel River Recovery Project with administration of CAL FIRE Grant Agreement Number 8GG21608 for the Ten Mile Creek Watershed Forest Health Project, and;

WHEREAS, this project covers 24 privately-owned properties in northern Mendocino County, approximately two miles west of Laytonville, CA. It is within the Tenmile Creek watershed which is part of the greater Eel River watershed. The project area is within the Cahto Peak, Laytonville, and Tan Oak Park USGS 7.5” quadrangles including:

portions of Sections 3,10,13,14,15,21,22, T21N R15W- MDMB
portions of Sections 8,9,18.19.21,22,23,33,34 T22N R15W- MDMB
portions of Sections 14,15,21,22, T22N R16W- MDMB

WHEREAS, the Eel River Recovery Project has prepared a Project Specific Analysis and Addendum for the Tenmile Creek Watershed Forest Health Project on behalf of the MCRCD; and identified applicable SPRs and mitigation requirements to be implemented.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Directors for the Mendocino County Resource Conservation District, based on the evidence presented, both written and oral, hereby approves the Project

Specific Analysis and Addendum, Standard Project Requirements, and mitigation requirements for the Ten Mile Creek Watershed Forest Health Project.

Approved and Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Mendocino County Resource Conservation District this 17th day of September 2024.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Directors with the following vote:

Ayes: *TONY ORTH, PETER BRAUDRICK, CATHY MONROE*

Noes: *N/A*

Absent: *N/A*

Abstain: *STEPHEN SMITH*

Cathy Monroe *Sept. 17, 2024*

Board Chair: Cathy Monroe

Amy Herman *Sept. 17, 2024*

Board Secretary: Amy Herman