

Notice of Public Hearing

The Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, October 17, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as may be heard, in the Board of Supervisors' Chambers, Siskiyou County Courthouse, 311 Fourth Street, Yreka, California on the following item:

Ward Zone Change (Z-23-03)

The applicant is requesting approval of a zone amendment for three parcels from Neighborhood Commercial (C-U) and Rural Residential Agriculture (R-R-B-1) to Heavy Industrial (M-H). The project is located at 3116 State Highway 97, approximately 1 mile northeast of the city of Weed; APNs 202-470-360, 020-470-400 and 020-470-420; Township 42N, Range 4W, and Section 31; Latitude 41.5859° and Longitude -122.1938°. The project site is already developed with Heavy Industrial (M-H) uses and the zone change is proposed to apply the district that best fits with the historic use of the project site. No new development is proposed.

It is anticipated that the proposed zone change will be determined to be categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines. A "categorical exemption" implies that the project will not result in any significant adverse environmental effect. The project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to the "common sense exemption" of CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), which states that "CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA." Additionally, staff is recommending this project be determined exempt pursuant to the Class 1 exemption that is applicable to Existing Facilities (Section 15301). The Class 1 section consists of the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures where there is negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The property has been developed for uses appropriate to the M-H district for over twenty years. No expansion of the existing structures or uses is proposed and no new structures or uses are proposed. The Board of Supervisors will consider the appropriateness of said environmental recommendation based on the record of evidence before them. If substantial evidence has been presented demonstrating a more appropriate environmental determination than the one that has been recommended, the Board of Supervisors may require and/or approve an alternative environmental determination pursuant to the requirements of CEQA.

All project documents are on file at the Planning Division of the Siskiyou County Community Development Department and are available for public review. A staff report will be available for public review three working days prior to the Board of Supervisors meeting. Please contact the Planning Division at (530) 841-2100 if you have any questions regarding this project.

The public may attend by zoom/teleconference or in person. All interested persons are invited to be present and be heard thereon or present comments in writing to the Board of Supervisors, 311 Fourth Street, Room 201, Yreka, CA 96097 or to the following email: wendy@sisgvotes.org. All items presented to the Board of Supervisors during a public hearing, including but not limited to, letters, e-mail, petitions, photos, or maps, become a permanent part of the record and must be submitted to the Clerk of the Board. It is advised that the presenter bring 7 copies of anything presented to the Board and that the presenter create copies in advance for their own records.

All public records related to an open session item on the agenda, which are not exempt from disclosure pursuant to the California Public Records Act, that are distributed to a majority of the legislative body will be available for public inspection at 311 Fourth Street, Room 201, Yreka CA 96097 at the same time that the public records are distributed or made available to **a majority of** the members of the legislative body. All supporting documentation is available for public review in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, located in the Siskiyou County Clerk's Office, 311 Fourth Street, Room 201, Yreka, CA 96097, during regular business hours, 9:00a.m. – 12:00p.m. and 1:00p.m. - 4:00p.m., Monday through Friday.

If you challenge the categorical exemption and/or zone change in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Board of Supervisors at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Laura Bynum, County Clerk

By: s:/ Wendy Winningham, Deputy