City of Ukiah Notice of Availability of Mitigated Negative Declaration for Upper City View Trail Project

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) under the California Environmental Quality Act has been prepared and is available for public review for the Upper City View Trail Project further described below.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Project proposes the development of a 2 to 4-ft wide, one-mile loop of narrow-gauge natural surface trail commonly known as a "hiking trail" that would begin and end on the upper leg of the existing 2.8-mile City View Trail within Low Gap Park, located in northwest Ukiah. Parking will be provided in the existing Low Gap Park parking lot and the trail will be accessed through the main park entrance. Existing restrooms, trash receptacles and water fountains are provided within the park. The trail is intended for hikers only and will be accessible during regular Low Gap Park hours (8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.).

PROJECT LOCATION: The trail would be located on a 46-acre City-owned parcel (APN: 001-030-01) located adjacent to Low Gap Park at 1167 Low Gap Rd. The eastern portion of the parcel contains a portion of the Ukiah Municipal Golf Course and is also developed with water tanks. The western portion of the parcel (proposed trail location) is undeveloped.

PROJECT IMPACTS: As described throughout the Initial Study, temporary ground disturbing activities associated with vegetation removal and trail construction could result in direct significant impacts to Air Quality, Biological Resources, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Hydrology and Water Quality, and Wildfire. However, mitigation measures identified within the aforementioned sections would reduce all impacts to less than significant. The project is not located on a listed hazardous waste disposal site compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

REVIEW PERIOD: The public review period for the IS/MND is from **Tuesday January 18, 2022 through Monday February 21, 2022 at 5:00 p.m**. The IS/MND is available for review online at: <u>http://www.cityofukiah.com/ceqa-review/</u> or at the Community Development Department, 300 Seminary Avenue, Ukiah, CA 95482. Comments may be submitted via email to mirace@cityofukiah.com or mailed to the Community Development Department at the address below.

HEARING DATE/TIME: TBD. A separate notice will be sent out announcing the hearing information for this project.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: All interested parties may contact Michelle Irace, Planning Manager 463-6203 or mirace@cityofukiah.com; or, visit the Community Development Department, located at 300 Seminary Ave. Office hours: 8:00 am to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

