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NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AMITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

In compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Pebble Beach Community Services District (Pebble Beach CSD), Cypress Fire Protection District (Cypress FPD), and Carmel Highlands Fire Protection District (Carmel Highlands FPD) have undertaken environmental review for the Pebble Beach CSD updated Fire Defense Plan, and the Cypress FPD, and Carmel Highlands FPD Fire Defense Plans, and intend to adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration. The Pebble Beach CSD, the Cypress FPD, and the Carmel Highlands FPD invite all interested persons and agencies to comment on the Pebble Beach CSD, Cypress FPD, and Carmel Highlands FPD Fire Defense Plans Mitigated Negative Declaration.

- Lead Agencies:** Pebble Beach Community Services District, Cypress Fire Protection District, and Carmel Highlands Fire Protection District
- Project Location:** Unincorporated Monterey County: The Cypress FPD, the Carmel Highlands FPD, and the Pebble Beach CSD are located in unincorporated Monterey County along the central coast between the cities of Pacific Grove, Monterey and Del Rey Oaks to the north, and Malpas Creek to the south, approximately five miles south of the Carmel River. The district boundaries generally extend inland by about three miles.
- Project Description:** The project is implementation of the Cypress FPD Fire Defense Plan and the Carmel Highlands FPD Fire Defense Plan, and an update of the Pebble Beach CSD Fire Defense Plan. The three plans provide a system of consistent emergency access identification by designating existing roads and trails as fire roads and fire road / fuel breaks within each district and recommending standards for their maintenance through preventive fuel hazards reduction, vegetation management, and fire road / fuel break maintenance activities that would be routinely conducted in various locations within each of the districts. The three plans provide comprehensive policy standards for maintaining existing- and newly-designated fuel breaks and fire roads that would not otherwise be maintained pursuant to the defensible space requirements of Public Resources Code Section 4291.
- Public Review Period:** Begins – June 12, 2018
Ends – July 11, 2018
- Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration is Available for Public Review at these Locations:** California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection - San Benito-Monterey Unit
2221 Garden Road, Monterey CA 93940, and online at:
<http://www.pbcasd.org/>
<http://cypressfire.org/>
<http://carmelhighlandsfire.org/>
- Address Where Written Comments May be Sent:** Cypress Fire Protection District, Carmel Highlands Fire Protection District, Pebble Beach Community Services District
c/o California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection - San Benito-Monterey Unit 2221 Garden Road, Monterey CA 93940
- Public Hearing:** Hearing dates to be determined for each District's Board of Directors