

August 19, 2025

Affidavit of Posting

I, Josephine Slovut, Environmental Compliance Specialist, Mendocino County Department of Transportation, do hereby certify, under penalty of perjury, that I have posted the following public notice at the locations noted below.

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT
A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

June 23, 2025

LEAD AGENCY: Mendocino County Department of Transportation
340 Lake Mendocino Drive
Ukiah, CA 95482

CONTACT PERSON: Alex Straessle, Engineer II
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PROJECT TITLE: Laytonville Landfill Cover Remediation and Improvements Project

PROJECT LOCATION: The project site is located at the Laytonville Landfill. This closed landfill occupies approximately 7 acres of an approximately 35.65-acre property located at 1825 Branscomb Road (Assessor's Parcel Number 014-250-32-00) in Laytonville in unincorporated Mendocino County approximately 1.6 miles west of US Route 101.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Mendocino County Department of Transportation (County) is proposing (i) reconstructing a portion of the final cover on the closed Laytonville Landfill; and (ii) relocation of a landfill gas (LFG) monitoring probe, relocation of a piezometer, and installation of a groundwater monitoring well.

The landfill would remain closed and there would be no significant changes to current monitoring and maintenance procedures. There would be no new operations after project completion. The project would involve replacing approximately 185,000 square feet of the existing landfill cover and would include the following procedures:

- Dismantling and removing the existing surface water drainage system.
- Removing existing side slope final cover to the top of the foundation layer; the rock slope protection and vegetative cover soil would be stockpiled for reuse and the geosynthetic materials would be disposed of off-site.
- Preparing and compacting existing foundation layer soil to meet compaction requirements in accordance with American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) International standard D1557; seep and LFG collectors would be placed on the foundation layer before the overlying barrier, drainage, and protective cover soil is placed.
- Placing overlying low-density polyethylene, drainage materials, and protective cover soil; the drainage layer placed would discharge to toe drain collectors at the toe of slopes on the landfill site.

- Reconstructing the surface water drainage system to include berm channel outlets and inlets, subsurface drains, and perimeter rock drainage swales.
- Installing LFG collectors below the final cover barrier layer and LFG vents and trench collection galleries; the LFG vents would be sealed with a low-density polyethylene layer.
- Relocating an existing perimeter LFG monitoring probe.
- Relocating an existing sedimentary piezometer.
- Hydroseeding final cover and installing fiber rolls and gravel bags for erosion control.
- Installing a new groundwater monitoring well.

Project construction would take place for up to 10 hours a day from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., five days a week (Monday through Friday) for approximately 16 weeks.

The project site is associated with a Land Disposal Site case for Mendocino County Laytonville Solid Waste Disposal Site (case #1B75050OMEN) with an “Open – Closed/With Monitoring” status as of 1997 and a “State Response or NPL” case for Laytonville Landfill Site (site ID 60003790) with a “Refer: Other Agency” status as of May 2024.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County has scheduled a public hearing to consider the adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration, pursuant to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), for the above-described project.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: A 30-day public review period for the Mitigated Negative Declaration will commence on **July 9, 2025**, and end on **August 8, 2025**, for interested individuals and public agencies to submit written comments. Any written comments on the Mitigated Negative Declaration must be received at the address below within the public review period. Copies of the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study are available for review at the Mendocino County Office at the above address and online at:

<https://www.mendocinocounty.gov/departments/transportation/environmental-documents>.

Mendocino County Department of Transportation
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Or via email: straessa@mendocinocounty.gov

PUBLIC MEETING: A public hearing to consider this matter has been scheduled for the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors on **October 7, 2025**, at 9:00 a.m., in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, 501 Low Gap Road, Ukiah, California.

A copy of the above Notice was posted at the following locations and in the following manner:

- 1) The Mendocino County Clerk’s Office on July 9, 2025.
- 2) The State Clearinghouse on July 9, 2025.
- 3) The entrance gate to the Laytonville Landfill Transfer Station on June 24, 2025.
- 4) The Laytonville Post Office on June 24, 2025.
- 5) Published in the Willits News on Wednesday, July 2, 2025, and Saturday, July 5, 2025.

The above Notice and Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration were also made available for public review at the following location:

6) The Mendocino County Department of Transportation website on June 23, 2025.

Signature: Josephine Slovit

Josephine Slovit
Environmental Compliance Specialist

Date: 8/19/2025