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COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT AUTHORIZATION FOR EMERGENCY WORK

CASE FILE EM 2023-0001

OWNER: JUG HANDLE CREEK FARM & NATURE CENTER

BOX 17

CASPAR, CA 95437

APPLICANT: MARIE JONES

16312 OLD CASPAR RR FORT BRAGG, CA 95437

SITE ADDRESS/APN: 15501 N Hwy 1, Caspar APN: 017-250-32

NATURE OF EMERGENCY: Many dead and dying trees in the campground. Last year a tree fell and smashed a porta-potty two minutes after someone was using it. We need to remove these trees for public safety due to the potential for tree fall on or near campers, vehicles, tents and the farmhouse building.

CAUSE OF EMERGENCY: Tree hazards near campground sites (i.e., MCC 20.332.035 *Campground*) that are classified as Visitor Accommodation and Services Use Types.

REMEDIAL ACTION: Trees would be removed while the campground is closed. All trees will be felled with a chain saw and cut up into 16-inch logs, which will be split on site for use as fire wood. The two Monterey Cypress trees by the Farmhouse will require the use of a cherry picker because the tree branches are entangled in the PG&E line running to the property and because they could fall onto buildings if they are cut from above. All dangerous trees have already been marked and identified by an arborist.

This emergency permit authorizes the following trees to be removed:

- ✓ 2 Monterey Cypress trees by the Farmhouse, see arborist report for location.
- ✓ Up to 5 trees by the parking sign
- ✓ Up to 5 trees located within fifty feet of Campsite 1 improved area
- ✓ Up to 20 trees located within fifty feet of Campsites 4 and 6 improvements
- ✓ Up to 10 trees located within fifty feet of Campsite 7 improvements
- ✓ Up to 9 trees located within fifty feet of the Group Campsite improved area

See November 19, 2022 Arborist Report and site plan. Potentially hazardous trees not located approximate to existing development or campsites are not a part of this emergency permit authorization.

CIRCUMSTANCES TO JUSTIFY EMERGENCY: High winter winds, rain and further aging will further destabilize these trees. The probable consequence of failing to act is that one or more trees will fall this year with the potential to damage property, injure people, or injure animals.

COMPLIANCE: Permits for Approval of Emergency Work are subject to MCC Sec. 20.536.060 et seq.

RECOMMENDED BY:

JULIANA CHERRY, PLANNER III

2 February 2023

APPROVED BY:

Julia Krog

February 2, 2023

DATE