

#### **COUNTY OF MENDOCINO**

501 Low Gap Rd., Room 1060 Ukiah, California 95482 Phone (707) 235-6875 Sara Pierce
Acting Auditor-Controller
Treasurer-Tax Collector

# **Application for Outdoor Festival License under Article III of Chapter 11 of the Mendocino County Code**

1. Name NORTHERN NIGHT	S MUSIC GROUP, LLC		
2. Residence Address 705 US	S HIGHWAY 101, GARBE	RVILLE, CA 95542	
3. Mailing Address 705 US			
4. Individual	Corporation or Partnersh	ip X	
5. Names and addresses of part	tners or corporation officers:		
PETER HUSON Name	MANAGING MEMBER Title	705 US HIGHWAY 101, GARBERVILLE, CA 95542 Address	
ANDREW BORGELT Name	MANAGING MEMBER Title	705 US HIGHWAY 101, GARBERVILLE, CA 958	
Name	Title	Address	
6. Principal location of event:			
_83950 ROAD 422E, Pi	IERCY, CA 95587	415-302-2688	
Address	•	Telephone	

- 7. Provide certified copy of Articles of Incorporation, if applicable.
- 8. Provide location and legal description of the premises where the outdoor festival is to be conducted, including all lands to be used for parking or other uses incidental to the outdoor activity. Submit **proof of ownership** of said premises **or the written consent of all owners**.
- 9. Provide the date or dates and the hours during which the festival is to be conducted.
- 10. Provide an estimate of the maximum number of spectators, participants, or others expected to attend the outdoor festival for <u>each day</u> conducted.
- 11. Applicant must contact the **Mendocino County Sheriff's Office** and comply with all requirements. Provide detailed explanation of the plan for policing the activity with particular emphasis on the control and prevention of alcohol and drug consumption.
- 12. Applicant must contact the **Mendocino County Department of Planning and Building Services** and comply with all requirements.
- 13. Applicant must contact the **Mendocino County Environmental Health Department** and comply with all requirements.
- 14. Provide written explanation of implementation of waste reduction, reuse, recycling, and diversion programs.

15. Provide detailed information on the following areas:

a.	Security Protection			
b.	Water Supply			
c.	Food Supply			
d.	Sanitation facilities			
e.	Medical facilities and services			
f.	Vehicle parking space			
g.	On-site traffic control and vehic	ele access		
h.	Plans for spectators or participants remaining at night or overnight			
i.	Camping facilities			
j.	Illumination of premises			
k.	. Cleanup of premises			
1.	Rubbish removal			
m.	Plans for handling larger number	er of overnight spectators than are expected		
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the e	event. This application shall be a	the Tax Collector no later than 45 days prior to accompanied by a non-refundable fee, (if applicable), by resolution of the Board of Supervisors.		
5	/4/2025	Peter Huson		
	Date	Applicantonezc344E		
		Manager		
		Title		
		President of Corporation		
		Attest: Secretary of Corporation		

## **OUTDOOR FESTIVAL ORDINANCE REQUIREMENTS:**

### **OUTDOOR FESTIVAL ORDINANCE REQUIREMENTS:**

Name of Festival: **NORTHERN NIGHTS MUSIC FESTIVAL** 

1.) Dates and of operation (MCC 6.16.040(C)). How many people will attend? (MCC 6.16.040(D)):
<u>Dates:</u> JULY 17-20, 2025
Hours: 96 HOURS (FRIDAY 8A - MONDAY 8A)
Attendance: 6410 over the course of the event, Including 2000 staff and performers
2.) Sponsor of festival:
Non-profit:     Partnership:     Non-profit:     Non-
Names and addresses of general partners:
PETER HUSON & ANDREW BORGELT
705 US HIGHWAY 101, GARBERVILLE, CA 95542
Corporation: Application signed by the President and attested to by the Secretary
Certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation
3.) Legal description of premises where festival will be held (MCC 6.16.040(B))
Physical Location: COOKS VALLEY, PIERCY, CA APNs: 053-020-10, -11, -12, -13, -14 & -16
$\boxtimes$ Proof of ownership and written consent of property owners for below listed parcel and legal description of premises: $\underline{\mathbf{X}}$
4.) Statement of adequacy:  ☐ Sheriff attesting to the adequacy of the proposed security or statement itemizing the deficiencies (MCC 6.16.040(E))
$\boxtimes$ Statement from County Health Officer attesting to the adequacy of the proposed sanitation, food handling and preparation facilities, and waste disposal (MCC 6.16.040(F))

LLC-1

Articles of Organization of a Limited Liability Company (LLC)

To form a limited liability company in California, you can fill out this form, and submit for filing along with:

- A \$70 filing fee.
- A separate, non-refundable \$15 service fee also must be included, if you drop off the completed form or document.

Important/ LLCs in California may have to pay a minimum \$800 yearly tax to the California Franchise Tax Board. For more information, go to https://www.ftb.ca.gov.

LLCs may not provide "professional services," as defined by California Corporations Code sections 13401(a) and 13401.3.

Note: Before submitting the completed form, you should consult with a

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Sacramento, CA 95814



April 26, 2023

To: Mendocino County Planning and Building Services Department

c/o: Mendocino County Treasure Tax Collector

Re: Outdoor Festival Use Authorization of Mendocino APNs 053-020-10, -12, -13, -14 and -16

Conrad Keith Bowman and Cook's Valley Campground LLC, a California limited liability company (collectively, "CVC") and Northern Nights Music Group LLC, a California limited liability company ("NN") are parties to a certain Lease dated September 28, 2022, whereby CVC leased to NN that certain real property located at 83950 Road 442E, Piercy, CA, 95587, consisting of Mendocino APNs 053-020-10, -12, -13, -14 & -16, the ("Venue"), for the use of outdoor festivals and events.

Please use this letter as CVC's written consent and authorization for NN's use of the Venue for outdoor festivals and events, to apply for new entitlements, meet entitlement requirements and/or modify entitlements during the time period of 2023-2032.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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Keith Bowman

**Property Owner** 

Cook's Valley Campground

Conrad keith Bowman

83950 County Road 442E Piercy, CA 95587

(707) 247 - 3455

keith\_bowman2002@yahoo.com



April 26, 2023

To: Mendocino County Planning and Building Services Department

c/o: Mendocino County Treasure Tax Collector

Re: Use Authorization of Mendocino APNs 053-020-11

Outraged Orangutan LLC, a California limited liability company ("**OO**"), and Northern Nights Music Group LLC, a California limited liability company ("**NN**") are parties to a certain lease dated October 13, 2021, whereby OO has leased to NN that certain real property consisting of Mendocino APN 053-020-11, the ("**Venue**"), for the use of outdoor festivals and events.

Please use this letter as OO's written consent and authorization for NN's use of the Venue for outdoor festivals and events, to apply for new entitlements, meet entitlement requirements and/or modify entitlements during the time period of 2022-2036.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Henry Adam Klyce

Thank you,

Adam Klyce

Manager, Outraged Orangutan

**County Line Ranch** 

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# COUNTY OF MENDOCINO DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND BUILDING SERVICES

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JULIA KROG, DIRECTOR

May 26, 2022

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Mendocino County Zoning Administrator, at a Special Meeting on Wednesday, June 15, 2022, at 1:30 PM, will conduct a public hearing on the following project(s) at the time listed or as soon thereafter as the item may be heard. This meeting will be conducted virtually and not available for in person public participation in an effort to slow the spread of COVID-19 and pursuant to the recommendation of the Mendocino County Health Officer and the California Department of Industrial Relations. In order to minimize the risk of exposure during this time of emergency, the public may participate digitally in meetings by sending written comments to pbscommissions@mendocinocounty.org, telecomment or via telecomment. The form may be found https://www.mendocinocounty.org/government/planning-building-services/meeting-agendas. The meeting available for viewing on the Mendocino County YouTube page, at https://www.youtube.com/MendocinoCountyVideo

**CASE#:** UR\_2021-0006 **DATE FILED:** 10/1/2021

**OWNER:** CONRAD & TRUDY BOWMAN

**APPLICANT: NORTHERN NIGHTS MUSIC GROUP LLC** 

**AGENT: PETER HUSON** 

**REQUEST:** Use Permit Renewal and Modification for an annual event known as the "Northern Nights Music Festival" during the third weekend of July, 2022. The projected on-site camping capacity of the event is approximately 8,410 attendees in eight designated camping areas spread over more than twenty-five acres. The on-site parking capacity is approximately 3,144 vehicles and 170 recreational vehicles and trailers in eight designated parking areas. Amplified music is proposed on the following days: 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on the Thursday prior to the event, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. on the Friday of the event, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. on the Saturday of the event and 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. on the Sunday of the event. The modification of the original Use Permit (UR 2017-0002) would be to allow cannabis sales and consumption. The areas in which cannabis would be sold is proposed to be composed of four types of licensed participants, including: Cannabis Event Organizer, Retailer, Distributors and Exhibitors.

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** Addendum to a previous Mitigated Negative Declaration **LOCATION:** 2.5± miles north of Piercy, just south of the Mendocino/Humboldt County line, lying on the east side of Highway 101, just South of the Cook's Valley exit; located at 83950 County Road 442E; APNs 053-020-10, -11, -12, -13, -14 and -16 in the Piercy area.

**SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT**: 3 (Haschak) **STAFF PLANNER**: KEITH GRONENDYKE

The staff report and notice will be available for public review 10 days prior to the hearing on the Department of Planning and Building Services website at: <a href="https://www.mendocinocounty.org/government/planning-building-services/meeting-agendas/zoning-administrator">https://www.mendocinocounty.org/government/planning-building-services/meeting-agendas/zoning-administrator</a>.

Your comments regarding the above project(s) are invited. Written comments should be submitted by mail to the Department of Planning and Building Services Commission Staff, at 860 North Bush Street, Ukiah, California. In order to minimize the risk of exposure during this time of emergency, the public may participate digitally in meetings by emailing comments to <a href="mailto:pbscommissions@mendocinocounty.org">pbscommissions@mendocinocounty.org</a> by June 14, 2022, or orally via telecomment in lieu of personal attendance. All public comment will be made available to the Zoning Administrator, staff, and the general public as they are received and processed by staff, and viewed attachments this meeting agenda can be as

https://www.mendocinocounty.org/government/planning-building-services/meeting-agendas/zoning-administrator.

The Zoning Administrator's action regarding this item shall be final unless appealed to the Board of Supervisors. The last day to file an appeal of the Zoning Administrator's decision is the 10th day after the hearing. To file an appeal, a written statement must be filed with the Clerk of the Board with a filing fee prior to the expiration of the above noted appeal period. If you challenge the project 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 Department of Planning and Building Services at, or prior to, the public hearing. All persons are invited to appear and present testimony in this matter.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) COMPLIANCE. Mendocino County complies with ADA requirements and upon request, will attempt to reasonably accommodate individuals with disabilities by making meeting material available in appropriate alternate formats (pursuant to Government Code Section 54953.2). Anyone requiring reasonable accommodation to participate in the meeting should contact the Department of Planning and Building Services by calling 707-234-6650 at least five days prior to the meeting.

Additional information regarding the above noted item(s) may be obtained by calling the Department of Planning and Building Services at 707-234-6650, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. Should you desire notification of the Zoning Administrator's decision you may do so by requesting notification in writing and providing a self-addressed stamped envelope to the Department of Planning and Building Services.

JULIA KROG, Director of Planning and Building Services

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860 North Bush Street Ukiah, CA 95482

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#### **Plan of Operations**

#### **Event History**

Northern Nights Music Festival was held for seven consecutive years between 2013-2019. The event did not occur in 2020 and 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### Location and Environmental Setting

The Project Site, known as Cook's Valley Campground, is approximately 100 acres in size and is located adjacent to and east of Highway 101 approximately 2 miles north of Piercy. The South Fork Eel River runs through the entire site, which extends east of the river. Proposed uses include music, camping and vending as well as music and camping along approximately 3,000 linear feet of gravel bar. The project extends onto over 160 acres into Humboldt County. The total use area is shown in Exhibit B.

#### Attendance Levels

A population of approximately 5% of the total attendance capacity will be on-site two weeks before and two weeks after the event as build and strike crews. Event vendors and staff will start arriving Wednesday before the event. It is estimated that a population of approximately 25% of the total event capacity will be on-site by Thursday evening and a population of another 50% of total event capacity will have arrived by Friday evening. The remaining 25% of the total event capacity will arrive Saturday resulting in peak capacities Saturday night.

It is expected that a minimum of 25% and maximum of 50% of the population will leave Sunday by 4 pm. It is estimated that 75% of attendees will stay on-site and that 25% will stay off site either at hotels or at their home.

The Applicants are event management professionals and ensure that the number of individuals on-site will not exceed the capacity for which infrastructure can reasonably and safely support. Total attendance of the festival in both Humboldt and Mendocino

Counties at any one time will be verified through wristband counts, box office cross-verification, and on-site security.

#### Schedule and Hours of Operation

*May 1st* – Water system preparation

*June 15th* – Fencing, electrical, signage and general infrastructure setup

Wednesday prior to event – vendors arrive for setup mid-day

Thursday prior to event - gates open in AM for up to 25% of total event capacity, amplified music from 6 PM to 10 PM

Friday of the event - gates open 8 AM, amplified music from 10 AM to 2 AM

Saturday of the event – gates open 8 AM, amplified music from 10 AM to 2 AM

Sunday of the event – gates open 8 AM, amplified music from 10 AM to 12 AM

*Monday following the event* – attendees depart, strike and cleanup begins

*July 31st* – strike and cleanup complete

*Dec 31*st – Post Event Report Submitted to County

#### Concert and Infrastructure

Temporary stages will be built and oriented away from Highway 101 and developed residences in the Piercy area, keeping them shielded from the main source of light and sound. The stages will be separated from the highway by a number of mature trees and is at least 40 feet lower in elevation than the highway, further mitigating any paths of direct light to properties across the highway. Any lighting other than performance displays (such as light towers) will be downcast and shielded from adjacent properties.

#### Camping and Parking

Camping and parking for the participants and staff will be provided on both Cook's Valley Camoground and adjacent Humboldt County properties. The on-site camping capacity of the event is approximately 8,410 attendees in eight designated camping areas spread over more than 25 acres. The on-site parking capacity is approximately 3,144 vehicles and 170 RVs and trailers in eight designated parking areas. Campers will be required to maintain a 30 ft. setback from the water's edge and vehicles will be required to maintain a 100 ft. setback. These setbacks will allow for pedestrian traffic as well as emergency access. Total camping and parking capacities are shown in Table 1 and are identified in Exhibit B.

**Table 1. On-Site Parking and Camping Capacities** 

<u>PARKING</u>	CARS AND TRUCKS	RVS AND TRAILERS	<u>CAMPING</u>	<u>ATTENDEES</u>
P1	514		C1	2080
P2	784	50	C2	884
Р3	792	75	C3	1071
P4	193	25	C4	818
P5	91	10	C5	1029
Р6	111	10	C6	1250
P7	458		<b>C</b> 7	915
P8	202		C8	363
TOTAL PARKING	3,144	170	TOTAL CAMPING	8,410

#### Traffic Flow and Parking

The festival traffic flow, parking, and encroachment plans will be the same as previous years and can be found in Exhibit D. The plan has been designed by the Applicant and Stop N Go Traffic and reviewed by Caltrans, Garberville CHP, and stamped by a licensed traffic engineer. The plan includes measures for required signage, CMS Boards, cones, light towers, in-and-out regulations, and cancellation procedures. Estimated total number of vehicles parked on-site is 3,100 vehicles and are based on an average of 2.6 people per

vehicle. Parking areas are shown in Figure 2 and will be filled in sequential order – beginning with P1.

Wednesday (2 days prior to the event)

The only traffic allowed on-site two days prior to the event will be vendors and staff, resulting in approximately 10% of the total vehicle capacity on-site.

*Thursday (day prior to the event)* 

The only traffic allowed on-site the day before the event includes 4 day ticket buyers and staff resulting in approximately 25% of the total vehicle capacity on-site.

*Friday– Sunday (during the event)* 

Most of the traffic to the event will be paying ticket holders. The gates will open at 8:00 AM on Friday. If there is a need to open the gates early for safety concerns, the Applicants will have staff in place to handle this, following any commands of on-site Garberville Highway Patrol. Northbound traffic will use the right turn lane at the intersection of Highway 101 and State Route 271. Southbound traffic will use the left turn lane at the intersection of Highway 101 and State Route 271. The Applicants utilize a thorough traffic plan implemented by an experienced traffic crew that has proven very successful during past events at the same location. All vehicles will be directed to traffic lanes away from Highway 101 for processing.

There will be two main access points – one into Humboldt for staff, volunteers and performers, and one into Mendocino for ticket holders. Upon arrival to Mendocino, the entry will be divided into four lanes for wristband retrieval and impact checks.

*Monday (day after the event)* 

The campground will close no later than noon on the Monday following the event and it is estimated that 5% of the total vehicle capacity will remain on-site for clean up over the following two weeks.

Re-entry

During the event, patrons will be allowed to leave the event only as necessary and only by vehicle. Patrons will be prohibited from leaving the premises as pedestrians, and this will be enforced by highway security staff and/or CHP. We will work to have reasonable prices in the general store to discourage attendees from leaving the property for additional supplies.

#### Shuttle Services

We intend to offer a shuttle service by a licensed transportation company to and from the Garberville area to provide safe means of transportation for the local community and encourage out-of-town attendees to utilize local travel hospitality options.

The traffic plan will be reviewed by Garberville CHP and Caltrans and written correspondence with these agencies will be submitted at least one month prior to the event.

#### **Public Safety**

Contact with local law enforcement, fire agencies, and emergency response personnel will be made more than two (2) months prior to the event. Any warranted walkthroughs will be made during the week of the event. A briefing sheet will be supplied during the walkthrough with contact and schedule information for all on-site emergency personnel.

A detailed emergency plan will be finalized in conjunction with emergency providers to include fire, medical, law enforcement and evacuation procedures. The final plan will contain detailed checklists and direct contact information for use by security and safety personnel. The plan will be submitted to the Humboldt County Planning Division and Sherriff's Office at least two months before the commencement of the event. The Applicant has and will continue to coordinate with Humboldt and Mendocino County Sherriff's Offices, Piercy, Leggett and Garberville Fire Departments, Howard Fire, City Ambulance and Garberville CHP to ensure cross-county safety and clear emergency service provider communication.

Communications will be conducted through the use of radios, cell phones, and a land line in the event that cell phone reception is poor.

#### **Emergency Medical Plan**

An experienced medical service team will be contracted as the on-site medical care provider for the duration of the event. The ALS-staffed medical team will be available around the clock at an established medical tent accessible to anyone on-site. The team will consist of licensed E.M.T.'s, paramedics, M.D.'s, and nurses. Highly visible signage will identify the medical tent. All medical and security staff will communicate via radio with the command center. The Applicants will provide the identity and on-site contact information for medical team members at least 14 days prior to the event. Communication and transportation equivalent to Cal Fire dispatch will be on-site and available for any life-threatening emergencies. A helicopter landing area is available for emergency evacuation. Jerold Phelps Community Hospital in Garberville and City Ambulance will be notified of the event dates.

An evacuation plan satisfying emergency service agencies will be available prior to the event and the contracted medical team documentation will be submitted to the Planning Commission at least one month before the event.

#### **Emergency Fire Plan**

A Cal Fire Safety Regulations Package will be submitted to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal Fire). On-site fire safety support at the event will be supervised by Piercy Volunteer Fire Department who will be available for the duration of the event around the clock with a minimum of two (2) personnel and supported with a minimum of one (1) Type 3 fire engine and one (1) water tender for standby emergency water and dust abatement, and radio communication equivalent to Cal Fire dispatch. An all-weather surfaced 20-ft fire lane existing around the perimeter of the campground will be designated for fire and emergency use. Visible signage will indicate designated locations for fire, medical, and security personnel. Fire extinguishers will be mounted accessibly around the event site.

The Applicants employ a team to specifically target prohibited burning and open flames, including fireworks, in addition to posting signage and informing patrons and staff of fire danger and the strict no burn and no fireworks policies. The Applicants will advertise this information on the event website, email, social media, and local radio.

The emergency fire plan will be reviewed by Cal Fire and Piercy Volunteer Fire Department and written correspondence with these agencies will be submitted to the Planning Division at least one month before each event.

#### **Emergency Response Plan**

Prior to each event, members of the medical, security and fire teams will meet and plan responses to emergency scenarios as well as identify and correct potential safety risks. A Communications Leader will be designated. Contact information will be organized and shared to facilitate emergency communication during the event.

If there is an emergency situation during the event, the Communications Leader will coordinate response efforts involving the event producers, security, medical, and fire team leads, and on-site law enforcement. In the case of a medical evacuation, the Communications Leader will also communicate with City Ambulance dispatch, Jerold Phelps Community Hospital and coordinate with on-site law enforcement and traffic crew to ensure a clear path for emergency vehicles. A helicopter landing area is available for emergency evacuation.

The various emergency response teams will communicate using handheld radios and cell phones. The Communications Leader will be able to contact Cal Fire dispatch, as will fire, medical and security personnel.

As necessary, event producers will communicate information to event attendees using main stage amplification and provide instructions to ensure emergency service providers can safely and quickly access necessary locations.

If a fire occurs, the Communications Leader will coordinate with Piercy Volunteer Fire Department, Cal Fire dispatch, on-site law enforcement, event security, medical, and traffic teams to ensure a clear path for emergency vehicles and to implement the Emergency Fire Plan as follows:

- 1) Notify off-site responders
- 2) Secure and clear the affected area
- 3) Shelter in place along the river bar; in the case of approaching wild land fire dismantle tents and campsites.
- 4) Responding agencies will determine extent of evacuation area.
- 5) Clear the evacuation area on foot to the predetermined evacuation zones
- 6) Use on-site communications resources such as the stage PA, on-site FM radio broadcasting, and event staff to inform and direct the public.

The emergency response plan will be reviewed by Garberville CHP, Mendocino County Sheriff's Office, and Piercy Volunteer Fire Department and written correspondence with these agencies will be submitted to the Planning Commission at least one month before the event.

#### **Security**

Professional on-site security services shall be secured for the event and will consume the largest percentage of our on-site staff budget. We will use an experienced security service provider as our lead supervising company to organize and lay out the complete final plan, which will emphasize strictly enforcing responsibility to the property and policing attendee activity, with particular emphasis on the control of alcohol and prevention of drug consumption, as well as the noise curfew enforcement. The contracted team will be given distinctive colored clothing as approved by the Sheriff's Office.

Temporary fencing around the perimeter of the site will be installed to mitigate trespassing onto adjacent properties. Twenty-four hour per day security will be provided

on-site for the protection and service to attendees and neighboring property owners. Every attempt will be made to limit encroachment/trespassing onto neighboring properties. The perimeter of the site shall be clearly identified and fenced, and shall be posted to limit access beyond the approved event, camping, and parking area sites.

Security will be on site beginning Wednesday prior to the event until Tuesday following the event and operating 24 hours a day reaching close to 75 staff members at peak times.

There will be (2) security positions assigned to the River Stage swimming area during the operating hours of 12 PM – 8 PM, in addition to the (3) medical staff composed of (2) lifeguards and (1) staff. During all other times at the River Stage swimming area, signs will be posted advising "NO LIFEGUARD ON DUTY".

There will be (2) security roamers throughout the festival, with emphasis on the campgrounds, specifically assigned to monitoring those attendees under 21.

Northern Nights Music Group will remain in consistent contact with the Sheriff's Office, CHP, and contracted security as the event approaches and we are committed to maintaining these relationships through responsible management practices and an open communication with all local law enforcement. A post-event meeting to address public safety concerns will be held following the event, to improve the event each year.

Our security plan will be reviewed by Garberville CHP and the Mendocino Sheriff's Office and written correspondence with these agencies will be submitted to the Planning Commission at least a month before the event.

#### Water Supply and Distribution

The water supply will be sourced from an on-site well and we project estimated water use of 100,000-200,000 gallons throughout the month of the festival including showers, drinking water, irrigaiton, domestic and vendor water use.

The on-site water system will be tested before and after the event and the water sample result will be included with the Community Event Permit Application. Water quality sampling and testing will continue to be conducted by the event coordinators. The large water on-site distribution system runs throughout the site. There is a 3 inch line for irrigation and fire suppression, and a 2 inch line for drinking, showers, and for vendor use. Fire hydrants are available for quick use. For extreme use, there is ready access to a fill up spot at the river or in a 1,000,000 gallon pond.

Potable water is treated in four steps: (1) at the point of service via a sediment filter, (2) a 5-micron carbon block filter, (3) a UV filter and (4) a 1 micron carbon filter, as directed by Mendocino DEH.

#### Sanitary Facilities

There will be up to 300 portable toilets (including ADA) placed around the venue by a licensed service provider, maintaining a 40-50 people per facility. Hand wash stations are provided wherever toilets are located with a minimum of one wash station for every 10 toilets. Sewage will be disposed off-site at an approved disposal facility by the service provider. Locations of sanitary facilities can be seen in Exhibit B.

#### Solid Waste Disposal and Recycling

A "Green Crew" will roam the event area and periodically empty the barrels at each station and take materials to the recycling area to sort and store them for disposal. Forty yard dumpsters will be used for trash and large totes for recyclables and transferred to a permitted waste disposal facility or recycling center by a commercial hauler. Waste stations and recycling containers will be placed in strategic locations to discourage littering. The location of the waste stations can be found in Figure 5.

The "Green Crew" remains on-site for up two weeks following the event, sorting recyclables from solid waste, picking up "microtrash" from the entire site, including the full length of the river bar and swimming areas.

#### Wastewater Disposal

Liquid waste is collected and stored on-site before being hauled off-site to an approved waste water facility.

#### Craft Booths

There will be approximately 20-30 craft booths located around the perimeter of performance and other high traffic areas.

#### Food Service

Food vendors will be provided with hot and cold water by existing water systems. Cooking will be done with propane gas supplied by each vendor. Solid waste will be disposed in general waste receptacles, until a full analysis of composting regulations is completed. Liquid waste is planned to be collected and stored on-site before being hauled off-site until the system has been approved by County and State agencies.

#### Alcohol Service

Alcohol will be served at specific booths and managed by a professional concessions team. All ABC rules and regulations will apply and will be enforced. Attendees will not be allowed to bring their own alcoholic beverages into the concert area. As per Northern Nights Music Group procedure, all attendees who wish to purchase or consume alcohol will be required to show ID at an "ID Check" Booth to demonstrate age over 21. The ID

check book will be separate from general ticketing and be located near the music/stage area. Consumers will then need to purchase "drink tickets" at an adjacent booth, where 21+ wristbands will be checked again in order to receive drink tickets. Only then, with a drink ticket and wristband, will alcohol be served to festival participants.

#### Cannabis Service

Cannabis will be served at specific booths and managed by a professional cannabis event organizer. All DCC rules and regulations will apply and will be enforced. Details are provide in Exhibit C.

#### **Environmental Monitoring**

The proposed project incorporates mitigation measures in the project design to minimize environmental impacts. Aspects of the Environmental Monitoring program will continue to include:

- Vehicles will be subjected to an "Impact Check" when arriving to look for leaking fluids, fireworks, and other prohibited items.
- Water quality (potable and river) will be monitored before, during and after the event.
- Noise levels will be monitored throughout the event.
- Dust will be controlled through the use of a water truck as necessary.
- No significant vegetation removal is required or proposed, other than for fire safety.
- No camping will be permitted within 30 ft of the river and no parking permitted within 100 ft of the river.

#### **Event Cancellation Protocol**

This is in case of a cancellation of event for any reasons such as fire, earthquake, or any other occurrence that may harm the public. In case of event cancellation, there will be several methods used for notifying the public that the event is cancelled and not to arrive at the festival grounds.

#### Notification techniques include:

- Posting on event website and social media outlets notifying public of cancellation.
- Computerized message boards on Highway 101 notifying regional travelers of cancellation
- Targeted emails to all ticketholders with notification of cancelled event.
- Local newspaper and radio advertisements.

#### Commitment to Local Schools, Non-Profit Organizations and Economic Boost

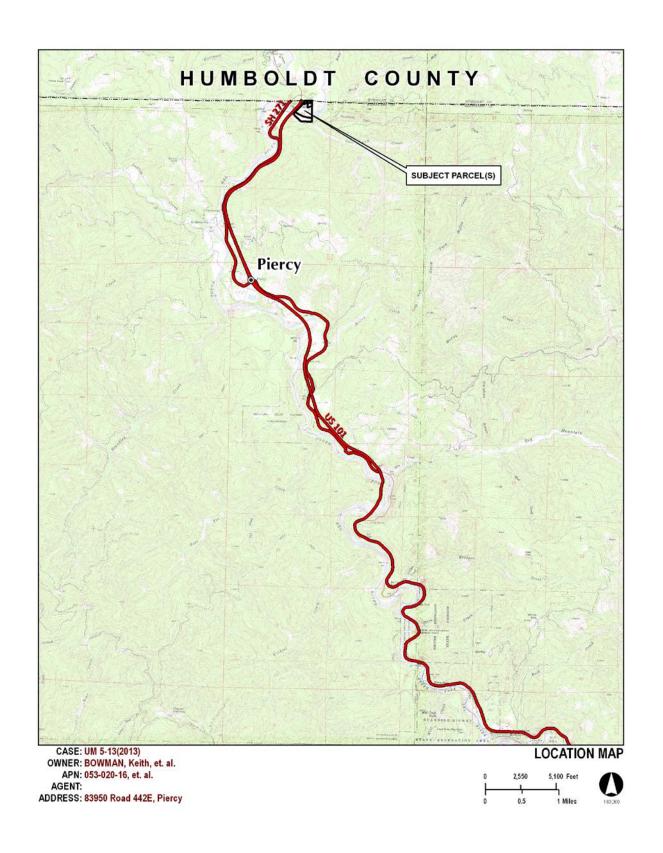
Non-profit and community organizations that benefit directly from Northern Nights Music Festival include Piercy Volunteer Fire Department, Southern Humboldt and Northern Mendocino school districts, The Eel River Recovery Project, Salmonid Restoration Federation, EPIC, The Eel River Clean-up Project, Friends of the Eel River, KMUD Community Radio, Southern Humboldt Community Park, the Surfrider Foundation and Healthy Planet US. In 2015, a detailed Economic Impact Analysis was conducted and demonstrated that Northern Nights increased local economic impact of over \$2,000,000 in Mendocino and Humboldt Counties.

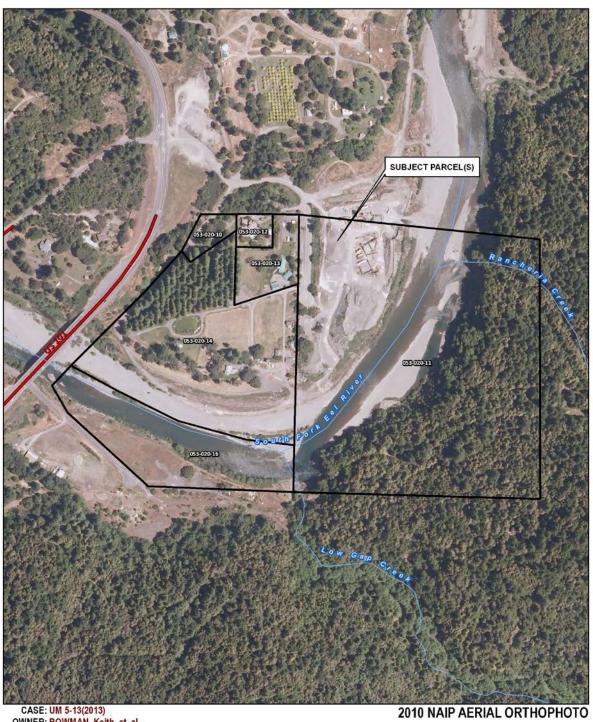
#### Conclusion

Northern Nights Music Festival is produced by an experienced and professional production company, with a mission to ensure high quality events that showcase the region to new audiences, facilitate positive and enlightening experiences rooted in art and music, and demonstrate ways to act sustainably. Northern Nights meets goals by implementing measures that ensure public safety, stimulate Humboldt and Mendocino economies, provide financial support to local school districts, public service providers,

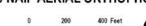
non-profits and charities, and protect the local environment and quality of life.

The Applicants have proven for seven consecutive years that they can successfully manage large events in the Cook's Valley area. Positive feedback has been received from both Mendocino and Humboldt County officials, law enforcement agencies, local fire departments, service providers, press outlets, and the local community. The Applicants continue to review, improve, and refine event management practices in order to produce a safe event, abide by permit regulations, and continue dialogue with the local community on how to best stimulate local business and promote tourism into the area.



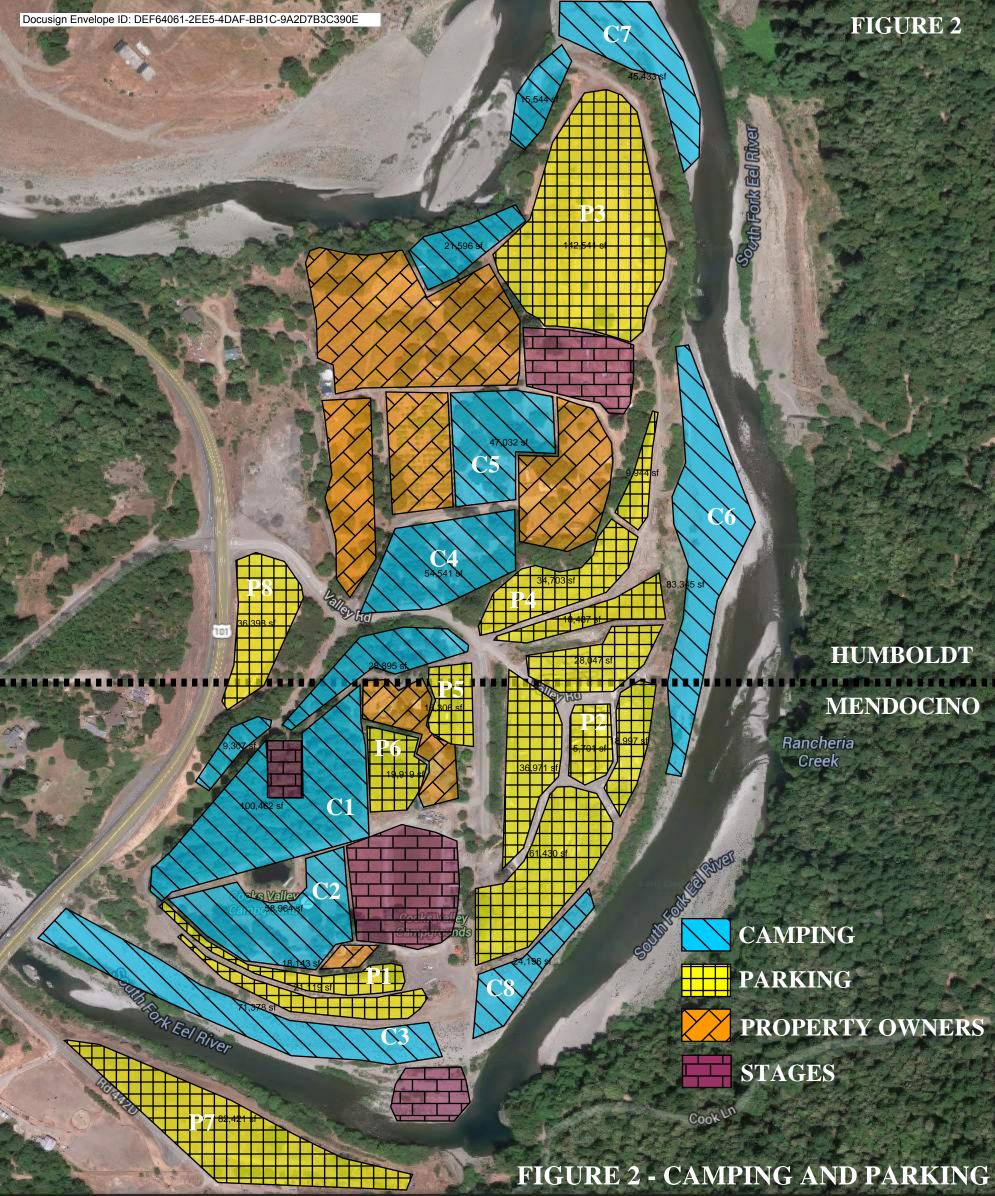


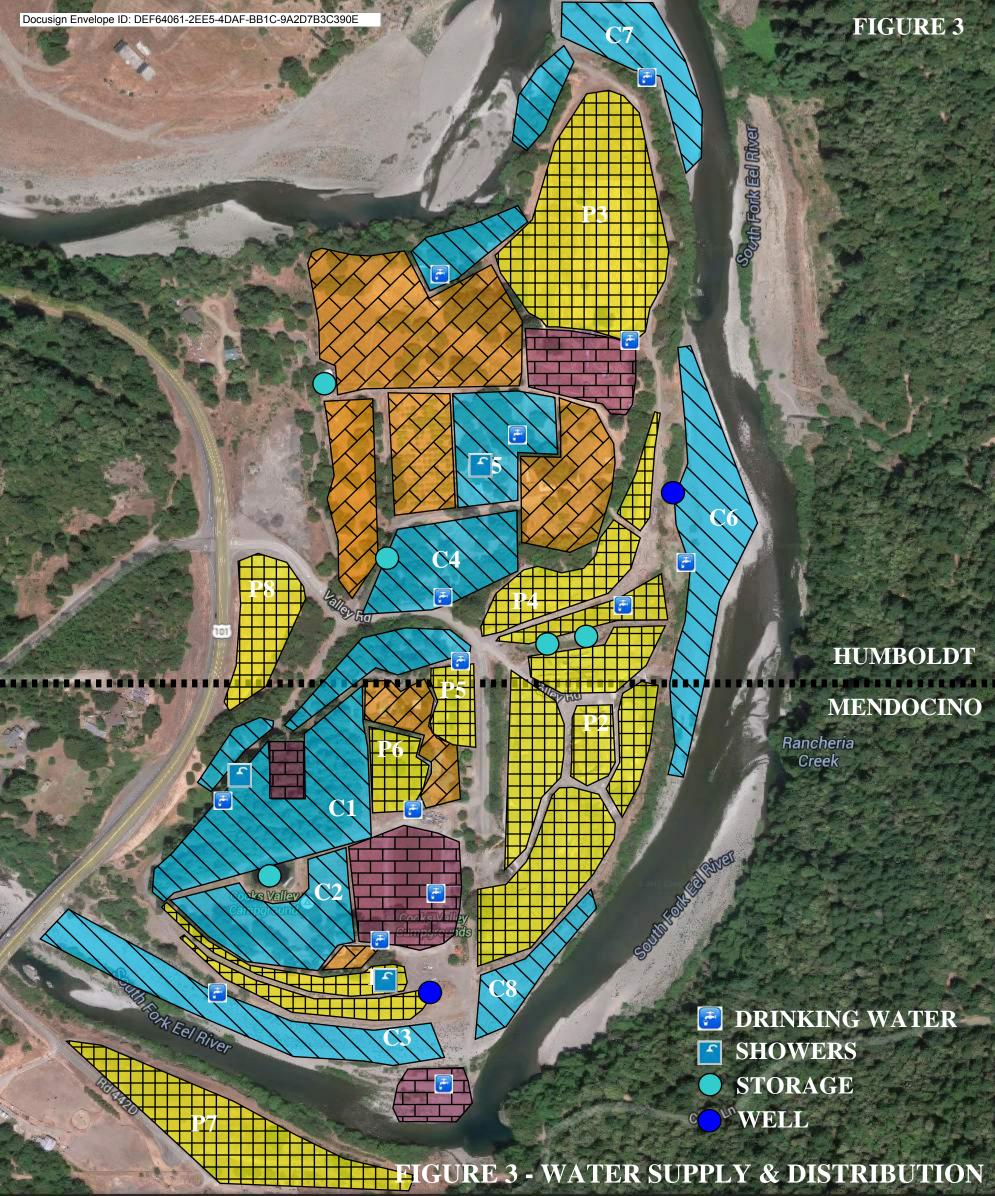
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APN: 053-020-16, et. al.
AGENT:
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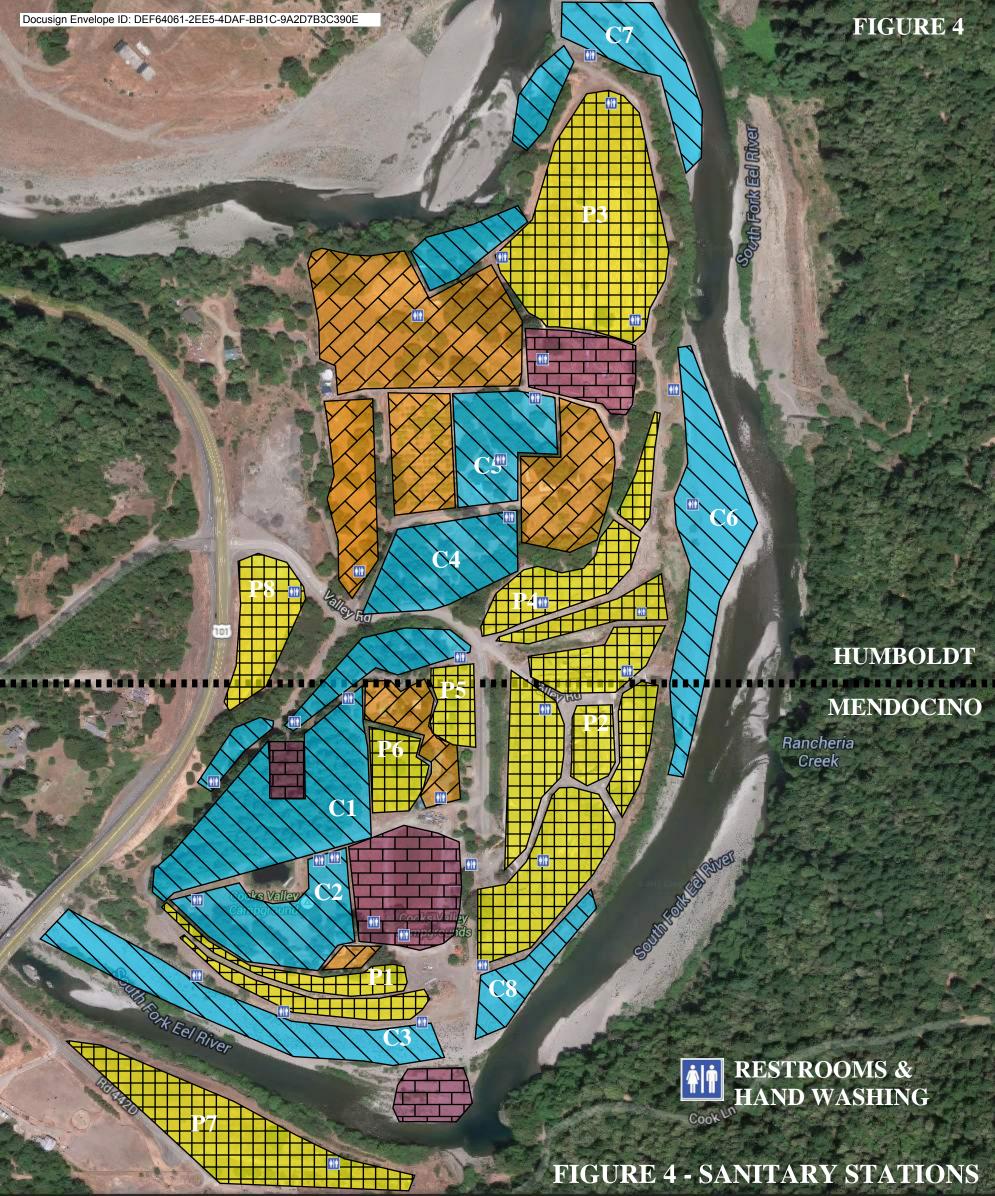


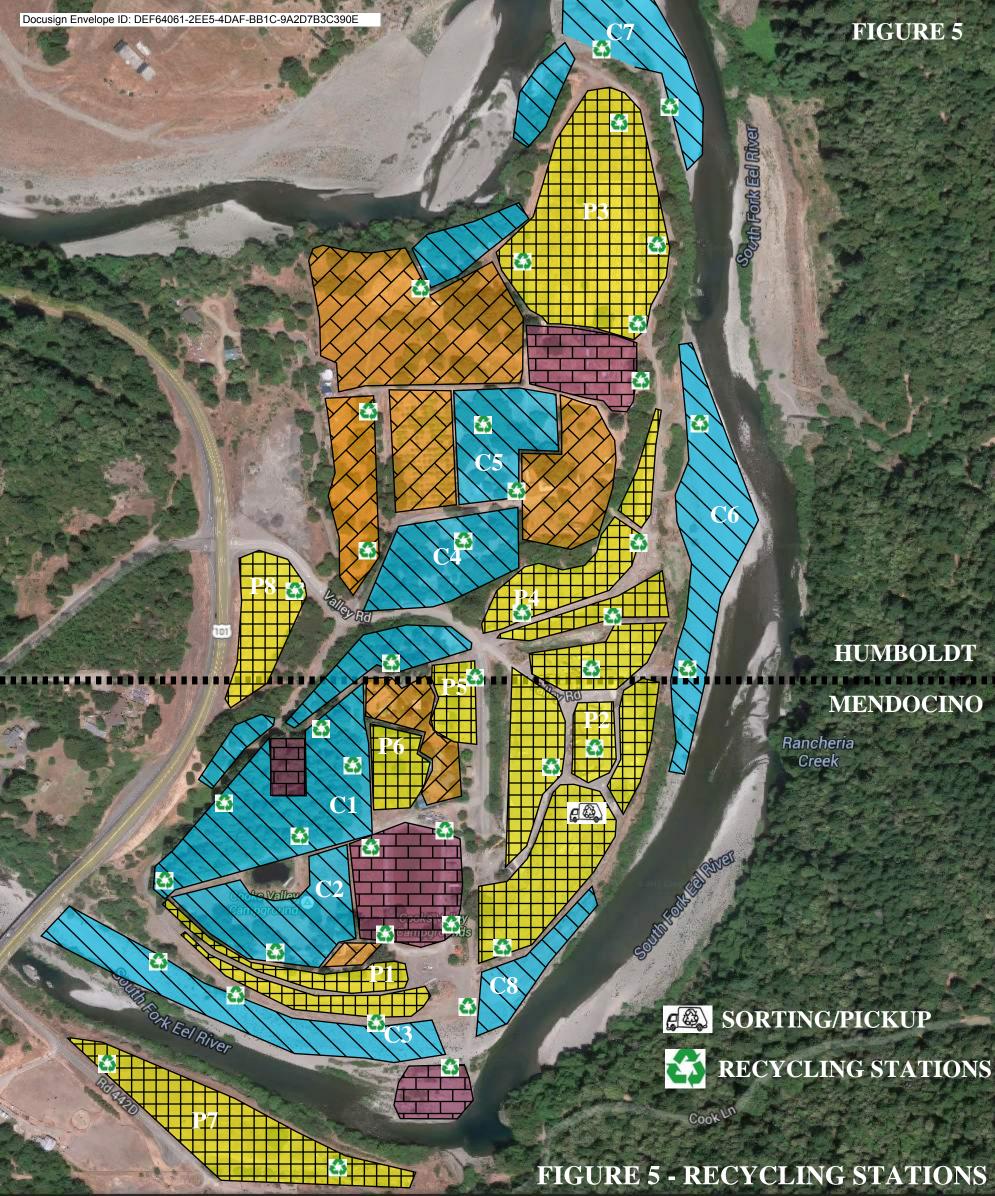


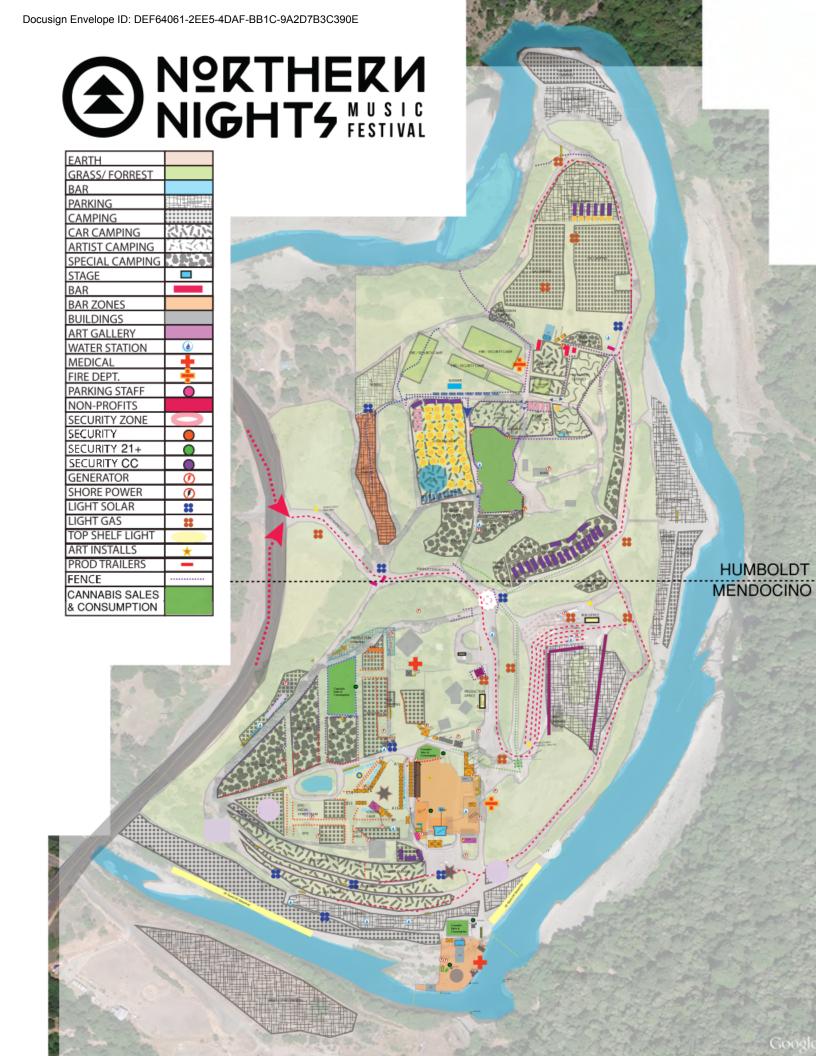












#### MATTHEW C KENDALL

Sheriff-Coroner **Undersheriff John J Magnan** 



## Captain Quincy Cromer Patrol Division Commander

Captain Gregory L. Van Patten
Corrections Division Commander

# **County of Mendocino Office Of The Sheriff-Coroner**

Chamise Cubbison – Auditor-Controller / Treasurer-Tax Collector,

I am authoring this letter to inform you that the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office has been in contact with Festival Director and Co-Founder, Peter Huson and the Director of Emergency Services, Amber Wallan, regarding the Northern Nights Music Festival 2025. The festival is currently scheduled to occur July 17 - 20, 2025, located at 83950 Road 442-E, Piercy, CA, 95587, with approximately 8,500 attendees.

Mr. Huson and Mrs. Wallan have advised me in writing of his group's intention to provide security numbers equaling approximately 75 paid security staff members each day inside the event, 6 paid security staff members per day on the perimeter of the event, approximately 55 paid security staff members each night inside the event and 5 paid security staff members each night on the perimeter of the event. The event is anticipated to draw a total of approximately 4,500 to 5,500 spectators, with approximately 3000 staff members and vendors. In addition, I have reviewed and approve of the Northern Nights Music Festival 2025 Emergency Response Plan, Security Plan and Security Schedule for the 3 days that this event is occurring.

The intent of this letter is to inform you the security measures planned for this event adequately address the public safety requirements of the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office.

If you should have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (707) 456-3877.

Sincerely,

Date: 05/07/2025

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Northern Patrol Division Commander
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Cc: Captain Quincy Cromer
Peter Huson, Festival Director / Co-Founder
Amber Wallan, Director of Emergency Services



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May 27, 2025

Helen Dailey

Mendocino County Tax Collector

Subject: Northern Nights Music Festival 2025/Statement of Adequacy

Dear Helen Dailey:

Environmental Health received the Community Event Permit/Application for **Northern Nights Music Festival 2025**, and it has been reviewed. It is a four-day event to be held at the Cook's Valley Campgrounds and is scheduled for July  $17^{th} - 20^{th}$  2025.

The facilities and planned operation are adequate to meet the public health requirements of an outdoor festival.

Items addressed were location, operation, sanitation (liquid waste and hand washing), refuse disposal, and food service.

Sincerely,

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Melissa Hernandez, REHS

Consumer Protection Program