

RESOLUTION NO. 20-041

**RESOLUTION OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVING
THE PLAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE REDWOOD COAST MEDICAL SERVICES
HELIPORT**

WHEREAS, Redwood Coast Medical Services (RCMS) has since 1984 operated a helicopter landing facility, designated as an "emergency medical services (EMS) landing site," next to its clinic at 46900 Ocean Drive (APN 145-200-67) in Gualala; and

WHEREAS, RCMS desires to upgrade its EMS landing site to the California Department of Transportation ("Caltrans") Division of Aeronautics' current heliport design and permitting criteria, thus enhancing operational safety, and secure a Heliport Permit from Caltrans Division of Aeronautics; and

WHEREAS, upgrading its EMS landing site to Caltrans Division of Aeronautics' current heliport permitting criteria will include bringing the facility into compliance with current Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) heliport design criteria; and

WHEREAS, the FAA conducted an airspace study as mandated under Part 157 of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations and found the facility to be acceptable from an airspace utilization standpoint; and

WHEREAS, RCMS submitted an application to the Mendocino County Department of Planning and Building Services to secure an after the fact Coastal Development Permit to legalize the existing helipad; and

WHEREAS, RCMS submitted an application to the Mendocino County Airport Land Use Commission for a compatibility review as required by Mendocino County's regulations and in compliance with California Public Utilities Code (PUC) Section 21670 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, on October 17, 2019, the Mendocino County Airport Land Use Commission determined that the proposed Coastal Development Permit for the EMS landing site and helipad was consistent with the Mendocino County Airport Comprehensive Land Use Plan (ALUC_2019-0002); and

WHEREAS, on November 21, 2019, the Mendocino County Planning Commission adopted Resolution No. PC 2019-0026, adopting a Mitigated Negative Declaration and granting a Coastal Development Use Permit (U_2019-0007) for the RCMS helipad; and

WHEREAS, on November 26, 2019, a Notice of Determination for the adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the RCMS helipad was posted with the Mendocino County Clerk-Recorder; and

WHEREAS, PUC Section 21661.5 provides that no person or entity may submit an application for the construction of a new airport to any local, regional, state or federal agency unless the plan for construction is first approved by the board of supervisors of the county, or city council of the city, in which the airport is to be located, and unless the plan is submitted to the appropriate airport land use commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors hereby approves of RCMS' heliport construction plan to upgrade its helicopter landing facility as a fully permitted heliport at 46900 Ocean Drive in Gualala (APN 145-200-67), as approved by the


Mendocino County Planning Commission by Resolution No. PC 2019-0026.

The foregoing Resolution introduced by Supervisor Williams, seconded by Supervisor Brown, and carried this 14th day of April, 2020, by the following vote:

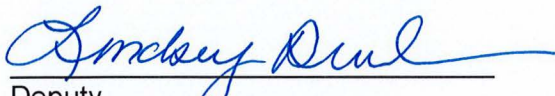
AYES: Supervisors Brown, McCowen, Haschak, Gjerde and Williams
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

WHEREUPON, the Chair declared said Resolution adopted and SO ORDERED.

ATTEST: CARMEL J. ANGELO
Clerk of the Board



JOHN HASCHAK, Chair
Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

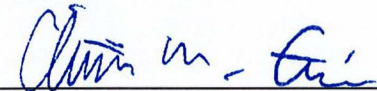


Deputy

I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code Section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
CHRISTIAN M. CURTIS
Acting County Counsel

BY: CARMEL J. ANGELO
Clerk of the Board





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