June 4, 2020

Case#: CDP_2020-0010
Date Filed: 1/30/2020
Owner: GREGORY C & SANDRA L MOORE
Applicant: GREG & SANDRA MOORE C/O CABLE MOORE, INC.
Agent: DALL & ASSOCIATES, STEPHANIE DALL
Request: As follow up to Emergency Permit EM 2019-0002, a Standard Coastal Development Permit request to remove trees from a site where the Commission has directed habitat restoration on adjacent lands.
Location: In the Coastal Zone, 1± mile north of Gualala town center, on the west side of Old Coast Hwy (CR 513) and 0.25± miles south of its intersection with State Route 1 (SR 1), located at 37900 Old Coast Hwy, Gualala (APN: 145-121-03).
Environmental Determination: Categorically Exempt
Supervisory District: 5
Staff Planner: JULIANA CHERRY
Response Due Date: June 18, 2020

PROJECT INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND AT: https://www.mendocinocounty.org/government/planning-building-services/public-agency-referrals

Mendocino County Planning & Building Services is soliciting your input, which will be used in staff analysis and forwarded to the appropriate public hearing. You are invited to comment on any aspect of the proposed project(s). Please convey any requirements or conditions your agency requires for project compliance to the project coordinator at the above address, or submit your comments by email to pbs@mendocinocounty.org. Please note the case number and name of the project coordinator with all correspondence to this department.

We have reviewed the above application and recommend the following (please check one):

☐ No comment at this time.
☐ Recommend conditional approval (attached).
☐ Applicant to submit additional information (attach items needed, or contact the applicant directly, copying Planning and Building Services in any correspondence you may have with the applicant)
☐ Recommend denial (Attach reasons for recommending denial).
☐ Recommend preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (attach reasons why an EIR should be required).
☐ Other comments (attach as necessary).

______________________________  ______________________________  ________________
Signature  Department  Date

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REVIEWED BY:

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APN/S: 145-121-03-00

PARCEL SIZE: 0.9 Acres

GENERAL PLAN: Coastal Element, Chapter 4.12 Rural Residential (RR5(1):U)
ZONING: Mendocino County Coastal Zoning Code, Rural Residential (RR:5)

EXISTING USES: Single-family Residential

DISTRICT: 5 (Williams)

RELATED CASES: U_2006-0009 Convert duplex to two dwelling units, TU_2010-0063 Encroachment Permit, BF_2009-0131 Demo duplex, BF_2009-0122 Guest Cottage, and several permits issued by the California Coastal Commission

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REFERRAL AGENCIES

LOCAL
- Department of Transportation (DOT)
- Environmental Health (EH)
- South Coast Fire District
- Planning Division Ukiah

STATE
- California Coastal Commission
- California Dept. of Fish & Wildlife

TRIBAL
- Cloverdale Rancheria
- Redwood Valley Rancheria
- Sherwood Valley Band of Pomo Indians

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
Included in the referral packet are the following:
1. 2020 filed application, site plan, and questionnaire
2. Revised 2019 Update Notes & Observations Moore Property Distressed Trees prepared by David Kelley
3. Previous 2019 Update Notes & Observations Moore Property Distressed Trees prepared by David Kelley
4. Summary of Coastal Commission actions presented via email from Destiny Preston
5. Revised Site Plan received 6-2-2020 depicts correct locations of removed vegetation

STAFF PLANNER: JULIANA CHERRY contact at cherryj@mendocinocounty.org  
DATE: 6/3/2020
1. MAC: Gualala MAC. See MISC Map

2. FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE: Moderate Fire Hazard. See Fire Hazard Zones & Responsibility Area Map

3. FIRE RESPONSIBILITY AREA: South Coast Fire Protection District. See Fire Hazard Zones & Responsibility Area Map

4. FARMLAND CLASSIFICATION: Urban and Built Up Land. See Farmland Classifications Map

5. FLOOD ZONE CLASSIFICATION: Shoreline flooding. See Special Food Hazard Areas Map.

6. COASTAL GROUNDWATER RESOURCE AREA: Critical Water Area. See Ground Water Resources

7. SOIL CLASSIFICATION: Western Soils #225, Windy Hollow Loam

8. PYGMY VEGETATION OR PYGMY CAPABLE SOIL: No

9. WILLIAMSON ACT CONTRACT: No

10. TIMBER PRODUCTION ZONE: No

11. WETLANDS CLASSIFICATION: Shoreline area. See Wetlands Map

12. EARTHQUAKE FAULT ZONE: No

13. AIRPORT LAND USE PLANNING AREA: No

14. SUPERFUND/BROWNFIELD/HAZMAT SITE: No

15. NATURAL DIVERSITY DATABASE: Yes

16. STATE FOREST/PARK/RECREATION AREA ADJACENT: No

17. LANDSLIDE HAZARD: Coastal bluff. See Estimated Slope Map

18. WATER EFFICIENT LANDSCAPE REQUIRED: No

19. WILD AND SCENIC RIVER: No

20. SPECIFIC PLAN/SPECIAL PLAN AREA: No

21. STATE CLEARINGHOUSE REQUIRED: No

22. OAK WOODLAND AREA: CalFire, CDFW, Calif Coastal Commission

23. HARBOR DISTRICT: No.

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24. LCP LAND USE CLASSIFICATION: Rural Residential. See LCP Land Ue Map 31: Gualala

25. LCP LAND CAPABILITIES & NATURAL HAZARDS: Coastal Erosion - present development non critical. See LCP Land Capabilities & Natural Hazards

26. LCP HABITATS & RESOURCES: Rocky Intertidal Areas. See LCP Habitats & Resources Map

27. COASTAL COMMISSION APPEALABLE AREA: Appeal Jurisdiction. See Post LCP Certification & Appeal Jurisdiction Map

28. CDP EXCLUSION ZONE: No

29. HIGHLY SCENIC AREA: No

30. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES & NATURAL AREAS: Rocky intertidal areas, buff and shore line environs

31. BLUFFTOP GEOLOGY: Bluff top site. See Slope Map and LCP Land Capabilities & Natural Hazards
# COASTAL ZONE APPLICATION FORM

## APPLICANT

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## PARCEL SIZE

- .95 acres

## STREET ADDRESS OF PROJECT

37900 Old Coast Highway, Gualala, CA 95445

## ASSESSOR’S PARCEL NUMBER(S)

145-121-03-00

I certify that the information submitted with this application is true and accurate.

Signature of Applicant/Agent: [Signature]
Date: January 20, 2020

Signature of Owner: [Signature]
Date: January 20, 2020

PBS Received 1-30-2020

APN 145-121-03
COASTAL ZONE - SITE AND PROJECT DESCRIPTION QUESTIONNAIRE

The purpose of this questionnaire is to relate information concerning your application to the Planning and Building Services Department and other agencies who will be reviewing your project proposal. Please remember that the clearer picture that you give us of your project and the site, the easier it will be to promptly process your application. Please answer all questions. Those questions which do not pertain to your project, please indicate "Not Applicable" or "N/A".

THE PROJECT

1. Describe your project and include secondary improvements such as wells, septic systems, grading, vegetation removal, roads, etc.

Project is the already completed EM 2019-0002 follow-up for removal of 1 hazardous dead/dying Monterey cypress tree standing on the NE corner of property, at driveway intersection with Old Coast Highway, 2 hazardous dead/dying Monterey cypress further west between the Moore garage and northern property line, and 1 stump remaining from a failed hazardous Bishop pine downed by PG&E in August 2019 on the southeast corner of the driveway near its intersection with Old Coast Highway. Removed trees were in imminent danger of failure under winter storm conditions and posed a threat to utility lines, structures, and human health and safety as workers continue in restoration efforts south of the driveway alignment.

2. If the project is **residential**, please complete the following:

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If Multifamily, number of dwelling units per building: ____________________________

3. If the project is **commercial**, **industrial**, or **institutional**, complete the following:

Total square footage of structures: Not Applicable (Tree Removal)
Estimated employees per shift: ____________________________
Estimated shifts per day: ____________________________
Type of loading facilities proposed: ____________________________

4. Will the proposed project be phased? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, explain your plans for phasing.

Project was begun and completed on 12/19/2019 pursuant to EM 2019-0002
5. Are there existing structures on the property?  ☑ Yes  ☐ No
If yes, describe below and identify the use of each structure on the plot plan.

Residence shown on plot plan

6. Will any existing structures be demolished?  ☐ Yes  ☑ No
Will any existing structures be removed?  ☐ Yes  ☑ No

If yes to either question, describe the type of development to be demolished or removed, including the relocation site, if applicable.

7. Project Height. Maximum height of structure  Not Applicable (Tree Removal)  feet.

8. Lot area (within property lines):  .95  ☑ square feet  ☐ acres

9. Lot Coverage:

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Not Applicable (Tree Removal)  GRAND TOTAL:  square feet
(Should equal gross area of parcel)

10. Gross floor area:  Not Applicable (Tree Removal)  square feet (including covered parking and accessory buildings).

11. Parking will be provided as follows:  Not Applicable (Tree Removal)

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12. Utilities will be supplied to the site as follows:

A. Electricity Not Applicable (Tree Removal)
   - Utility Company (service exists to the parcel).
   - Utility Company (requires extension of services to site: ________ feet ________ miles)
   - On Site generation, Specify: __________________________________________
   - None

B. Gas
   - Utility Company/Tank
   - On Site generation, Specify: __________________________________________
   - None

C. Telephone: □ Yes □ No

13. Will there be any exterior lighting? □ Yes □ No
If yes, describe below and identify the location of all exterior lighting on the plot plan and building plans.

Not Applicable (Tree Removal)

14. What will be the method of sewage disposal? Not Applicable (Tree Removal)
   - Community sewage system, specify supplier __________________________________________
   - Septic Tank
   - Other, specify __________________________________________

15. What will be the domestic water source? Not Applicable (Tree Removal)
   - Community water system, specify supplier __________________________________________
   - Well
   - Spring
   - Other, specify __________________________________________

16. Is any grading or road construction planned? □ Yes □ No
If yes, grading and drainage plans may be required. Also, describe the terrain to be traversed (e.g., steep, moderate slope, flat, etc.).

For grading and road construction, complete the following:

A. Amount of cut: ____________________ cubic yards
B. Amount of fill: ____________________ cubic yards
C. Maximum height of fill slope: ____________________ feet
D. Maximum height of cut slope: ____________________ feet
E. Amount of import or export: ____________________ cubic yards
F. Location of borrow or disposal site: __________________________________________
17. Will vegetation be removed on areas other than the building sites and roads? □ Yes  [x] No
   If yes, explain:

18. Does the project involve sand removal, mining or gravel extraction? □ Yes  [x] No
   If yes, detailed extraction, reclamation and monitoring may be required.

19. Will the proposed development convert land currently or previously used for agriculture to another use? □ Yes  [x] No
   If yes, how many acres will be converted? ____________ acres (An agricultural economic feasibility study may be required.)

20. Will the development provide public or private recreational opportunities? □ Yes  [x] No
   If yes, explain:

21. Is the proposed development visible from:
   
   A. State Highway 1 or other scenic route? □ Yes  [x] No
   B. Park, beach or recreation area? □ Yes  [x] No

22. Will the project involve the use or disposal of potentially hazardous materials such as toxic substances, flammables, or explosives? □ Yes  [x] No
   If yes, explain:

23. Does the development involve diking, filling, dredging or placing structures in open coastal waters, wetlands, estuaries or lakes?

   A. Diking □ Yes  [x] No
   B. Filling □ Yes  [x] No
   C. Dredging □ Yes  [x] No
   D. Placement of structures in open coastal waters, wetlands, estuaries or lakes □ Yes  [x] No

   Amount of material to be dredged or filled? ____________ cubic yards.

   Location of dredged material disposal site:
   ____________________________________________________________

   Has a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers permit been applied for? □ Yes  [x] No

If you need additional room to answer any question, attach additional sheets.
Notes and Observations: Moore Property Distressed Trees
Update July 2019
Updated August 2019

Below, each distressed tree inspected on the Moore property is identified by species, identification number as used in this survey and as shown on the accompanying map and photographs, its approximate diameter-at-breast-height (dbh) in inches (taken at 54” above ground level, if possible), and other pertinent location or condition information. (Of the six trees originally identified as distressed and recommended for removal, two failed in late-season storms and one was declared a safety hazard and cut down by Pacific Gas and Electric Company crews.)

All trees are outside the site’s Restoration Zones 1 – 5, as well as mapped ESHA and ESHA buffer. California Coastal Commission staff (Enforcement Staff Robert Moddelmog – CCC/San Francisco and Policy Staff Tamara Gedik – CCC/Arcata) have determined the trees and their surroundings to be outside the Commission’s retained permit and Consent Order authority, and within Mendocino County’s post-LCP certification permit jurisdiction.

#1NE — Bishop Pine near northeast corner of property, outside and north of restoration zone fencing on south side of driveway, west of Old Coast Highway roadway and ROW; previously mapped in 2013 arborist survey and 2018 Tree Removal Plan, but not slated for removal. (Identified as hazardous by PG&E in June 2019. (CUT DOWN BY PG&E MID-AUGUST 2019 WITHOUT OWNER PERMISSION)
  o 22” dbh, single trunk
  o Dead—several failed branches were found near base of tree
  o Lower branches stripped (the lowest remaining branch is approximately 18’ above ground level)
  o High exposure to winds (no protective canopies nearby)
  o Potential targets: utility lines, roadway, fence, propane tank, people in the vicinity

#2NE — Monterey Cypress near northeast corner of property, near northern property line just north of driveway, west of Old Coast Highway roadway and ROW; mapped and slated for removal in 2013 survey
  o 38” dbh, triple trunk
  o Easternmost cypress in east-west row of previously topped cypress trunks along property line
  o Dead—one branch (easternmost) resting on utility line
  o High exposure to winds (no protective canopies on western side)
  o Potential targets: utility lines, other trees, roadway, fence, people in the vicinity

#3NC — Monterey Cypress in north-central portion of property, near northern property line along fenceline to the north of driveway, off northeast corner of garage, just west of recently failed cypress with tilted root plate; mapped in 2013 survey. (FAILED IN MAY 2019 STORM – County authorized clearance 10 June 2019)

#4NC — Monterey Cypress near northern property line just west of Tree #3NC (see above); mapped in 2013 survey. (FAILED IN MAY 2019 STORM – County authorized clearance 10 June 2019)
#5NC  Monterey Cypress just west of Tree #4NC; mapped in 2013 survey
- 16” dbh, single trunk
- Severe lean to east, possible root plate tilt
- Dead lower branches; upper branches with some green
- Moderate exposure to onshore winds (some protective canopies nearby)
- Potential Targets: garage, residences, generator, other trees, driveway, people in the vicinity
  Removed per Mendocino County EM 2019-0002 (SDD)

#6NC  Monterey Cypress on property line west of Tree #5NC, mapped in 2013 survey
- 10” dbh, single trunk
- Pronounced lean toward residence, possible root plate tilt
- Most branches dead, a few possibly green in topmost canopy
- Moderate exposure to onshore winds (some protective canopies nearby)
- Potential targets: residence, fence, other trees, people in the vicinity
  Removed per Mendocino County EM 2019-0002 (SDD)

Site Notes
Some characteristics of the property are of concern, with respect to potential tree failure. These concerns include the following:

- All trees on the property are exposed to variable and turbulent winds during stormy periods, especially those trees surrounding the Moore residence.
- The soils in the vicinity of the residence are shallow above a strong lithic (bedrock) contact, which leads to shallow and poorly stabilized root plates.
- Most of the cypress trees have mulched or buried root crowns, an undesirable condition and arboricultural practice that can lead to decay problems at the root crown.
- Removal of other trees on the property over the last decade has led to the loss of protective canopies in the vicinity of the remaining trees, thus exposing the remaining trees to increased wind load.
- Most trees on the property (not just those discussed here) show indications of previous branch losses or removals, an indication that further branch losses are possible; the remaining trees should be examined to assess needs for remedial pruning or removal.
- **UPDATE:** Subsequent to inspection and identification as failing, Tree #3NC and Tree #4NC failed during a 2019 mid-May storm event, doing damage to the Moore property and its neighbor to the north (the County of Mendocino Department of Planning and Building subsequently authorized debris clearance on 10 June 2019); and Tree #1 NE was declared a safety hazard to its electrical lines and cut down by PG&E in Mid-August 2019 without the owner’s permission.

Recommendations. The remaining three trees identified and evaluated here remain at high risk of imminent failure, and hazardous to people, property, and structures. Their removals should be undertaken immediately upon receipt of all required regulatory sign-offs.

Until such time as the trees can be removed, work or other activities near these trees should be avoided, parking near them should be restricted, and care should be taken when approaching them, especially at times when soil is soft or wet and when conditions are windy.
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  o  32" dbh, double trunk, some apparent live-but-compromised branches in top of canopy
  o  Leaning to east; exhibits suspected root plate tilt; supports Tree #4NC (see below), which leans against it
  o  Moderate exposure to onshore winds (some protective canopies nearby)
  o  Potential targets: garage, fence, generator, residences, driveway, other trees, people in the vicinity

#4NC  Monterey Cypress near northern property line just west of Tree #3NC (see above); mapped in 2013 survey
  o  14" dbh, single trunk
  o  Severe lean to east; failed root plate, tilted out of ground on west side
  o  Resting on and supported by Tree #3NC; no other support
  o  Moderate exposure to onshore winds (some protective canopies nearby)
  o  Potential targets: garage, fence, residences, other trees, generator, people in the vicinity
#5NC  Monterey Cypress just west of Tree #4NC; mapped in 2013 survey
  o  16” dbh, single trunk
  o  Severe lean to east, possible root plate tilt
  o  Dead lower branches; upper branches with some green
  o  Moderate exposure to onshore winds (some protective canopies nearby)
  o  Potential Targets: garage, residences, generator, other trees, driveway, people in the vicinity

#6NC  Monterey Cypress on property line west of Tree #5NC, mapped in 2013 survey
  o  10” dbh, single trunk
  o  Pronounced lean toward residence, possible root plate tilt
  o  Most branches dead, a few possibly green in topmost canopy
  o  Moderate exposure to onshore winds (some protective canopies nearby)
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Recommendations. The six trees identified and evaluated here are at high risk of imminent failure, and hazardous to people, property, and structures. For those reasons, I recommend that removals be undertaken immediately upon receipt of all required regulatory sign-offs.

Until such time as the trees can be removed, work or other activities near these trees should be avoided, parking near them should be restricted, and care should be taken when approaching them, especially at times when soil is soft or wet and when conditions are windy.
Hi Juliana,

I wanted to assist Aurora with this research since the permit history here is fairly substantial. I am sharing what I have found so far from our permit tracking system (see attached). It is not an exhaustive search. We would need to double check our card catalogue, go through boxes of files stored in our office, and potentially order files from Sacramento. We may be able to do that in the next couple of weeks if the information included in this email does not suffice.

* 1-MEN-06-118 - County permit to "convert existing legal non-conforming duplex to two single-family residences. Existing structure to remain 24+- feet in height. Remodel existing duplex, including removal of second kitchen, 530+- square foot addition, and 517+- square foot deck addition; construct a 605+- square foot detached second residential unit with a 528+- square foot garage below; and construct a 510+- square foot barn/shed with a maximum average height of 15+- feet. Associated development includes gravel driveway addition, fence, and connect to utilities."

  o I presume you can locate what you need from this file since it is a County permit (Local Permit # CDU_9-2006).

* A-1-MEN-07-021 - An appeal of the above-mentioned County action. The files are very large and I don't think I can attach them via email. I recommend you refer to these links to access the applicable staff reports:
  o Adopted Findings are attached.

* Two Violation Records - One is open and pending, my understanding is that the orders listed below have been resolved.

* A-1-MEN-07-021-A1 - CDP amendment for proposed driveway changes; removal of specified unpermitted developments; ATF authorization for specified developments; placement of pavers; and restoration of ESHA & ESHA buffers impacted by unpermitted development.

  o We would need to locate these files in our storage room and scan them before they could be sent to you.

* G-1-13-0228 - Emergency Permit for the removal of three large cypress trees along the down-coast property line.

  o See pages 9-10 of attached document titled "W12-2-2014."

* A-1-MEN-07-021-A2 - Removal of three trees that were previously removed pursuant to Coastal Commission Emergency Permit G-1-13-0228, dated December 20, 2013, and proposing to remove an additional 11 dead/dying trees and several trunks from the subject property.

  o Our records show this application was filed incomplete. I would have to look into the file to see if I can find any additional information.

* A-1-MEN-07-021-A3 - The requested amendment will relocate an existing unauthorized 250-gallon propane tank to the northern corner of the property. The relocated propane tank will be sited on a 10-foot-long by 4-foot wide concrete slab adjacent to the driveway entrance, as depicted on the "propane tank relocation" site plan prepared by Michael Barron-Wike, dated February 13, 2014 and with a revision date of April 16, 2014. Propane gas lines will be installed underneath the existing gravel driveway to deliver gas from the tank to the house. A 4-foot-tall wood "trash/tank enclosure" will surround the propane tank slab. Two 2-3-foot-tall stainless-steel bollards will be installed at either end of the enclosure and filled with concrete to protect the enclosure from vehicles.

  o See page 6 of the attached document "W9-6-2014"

* 1-MEN-19-2654 - County Emergency Permit (Local Permit # EM_2019-0002)

  o I presume you already have what you need for this since it is a County permit.

I hope this is helpful.

Thanks,

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