



## -MENDOCINO COUNTY COASTAL ELEMENT-



### USER'S GUIDE

The Coastal Element of the Mendocino County General Plan, a part of the Local Coastal Program (LCP), consists of four major text sections, appendices, glossary and sets of maps. The maps are too large to be reproduced in this volume.

Chapter 1 reviews the California Coastal Act of 1976 which mandates preparation of the plan, describes the element's relationship to the countywide General Plan, and outlines the planning process and public participation. Procedures for adopting and implementing the plan are described.

Chapter 2 describes the organization of the plan and lists the land use classifications used on the maps.

Chapter 3 reviews resources and development issues and prescribes policies for each subject area that apply throughout the coastal zone.

Chapter 4 describes the Land Use Plan for each of the 13 planning areas and lists the policies applicable to that planning area. Readers interested in one planning area should read all of the policies in Chapter 3, but need examine only the Chapter 4 policies related to the specific geographic area.

Chapter 5 contains pertinent data utilized in the development of this plan.

Chapter 6 is a glossary of terms found throughout this plan.

The term Coastal Element includes the Land Use Plan, as well as additional policies or programs which do not refer to specific sites, such as hazards policies. Goals and Policies contained within other elements of the General Plan such as Noise, Seismic Safety, Housing, Circulation, Recreation, Conservation, Open Space, Scenic Highways and Safety will also apply within the Coastal Zone. The term Local Coastal Program (LCP) describes a three phase program mandated by the Coastal Act-Phase I: Identification of Issues (completed by Mendocino County in 1978); Phase II, Land Use Plan; and Phase III, Implementation Program.

Property that is bisected by the Coastal Zone Boundary will be subject to applicable development standards and policies of the General Plan for proposed development east of the Coastal Zone boundary while that proposed development within the Coastal Zone boundary will be subject to all applicable policies of this plan and subsequent implementing ordinances and programs.

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