

September 12, 2018

To: Mr. Kevin Muldoon City Of Newport Beach

Mr. David Webb Public Works Director

From: Citizens of The Bluffs Newport Beach, CA

Subject: Big Canyon Coastal Habitat Restoration and Adaptation Plan

Per new notifications of intent to adopt a negative Declaration, on behalf of citizens of The Bluffs, we are requesting to maintain the natural Habitat of Big Canyon Natural Preserve Park and the creek by cleaning up all the debris from old dry broken dead trees, graffiti on the trees and make an effort save the healthy ones. Also installation of appropriate fencing around the Big Canyon Creek area is a must to keep the public out of sensitive habitats and for safety purposes.

We appreciate the beauty of the Big Canyon natural Park environment plays an important role in environmental studies but prefer to maintain this natural preserve native habitat presence as much as possible by avoiding any significant changes to this surrounding Big Canyon natural park area.

We would appreciate some minor changes that include the following:

- Installation of more signs placed throughout the entire Big Canyon Natural Park area with same content as current signage
- Add to signage that the area is "closed and entrance prohibited from dusk to dawn" or 9PM to 6 Am
- We want to be assured that the currently installed and authorized metal pole gate on the back Bay Dr side of the Big Canyon adjacent to the Newport Back Bay Parking lot (picture attached)) is not going to be removed for the safety of our neighborhood.
- We are requesting for regularly random patrolling by police officers or rangers of the Big Canyon nature park from different sides to eliminate camp fires, illegal activities, littering, and graffiti, especially in the evening hours for the safety our neighborhood and its citizens.
- We are requesting that the existing, healthy trees not be removed to prevent erosion from flooding and not creating an unnatural park setting.

Thank you for your assistance in supporting these actions in an effort to maintain and sustain the beauty of The Back Bay.

Sincerely,

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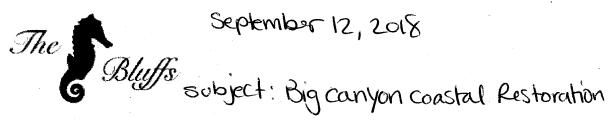
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Notice of Intent to Adopt a Negative Declaration

To:
Office of Planning and Research
State Clearinghouse
P.O. BOX 3044
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk, County of Orange
Public Services Division

City of Newport Beach Planning Division 100 Civic Center Drive, Bay 1-B Newport Beach, CA 92658-8915

Date: 09/04/2018

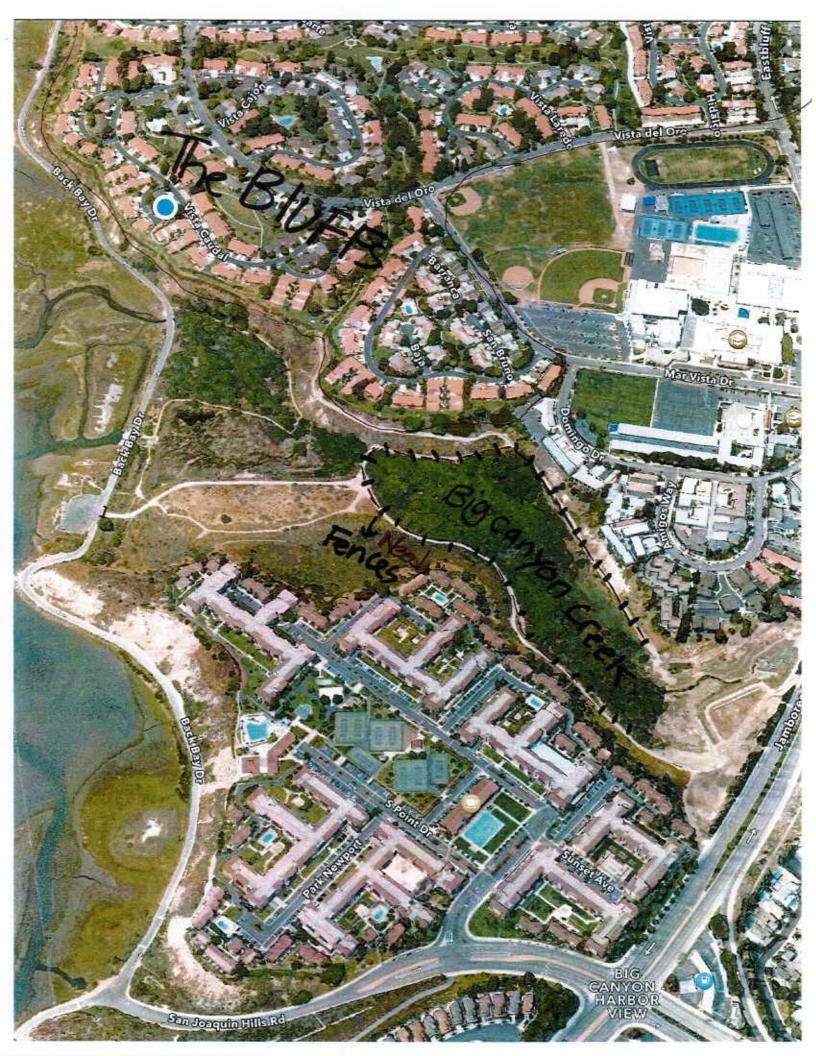
Santa Ana, CA 92	702	
Public Review Period:	30 days (September 4, 2018 through October 4, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.)	
Project Name and	Big Canyon Coastal Habitat Restoration and Adaptation - Phase 2A	
Activity Number:	CD2018-027 and ND2018-001 (PA2018-078)	
Project Location:	1900 Back Bay Drive, APN 440-092-79, Big Canyon Park, generally bounded by Back	
	Bay Drive, Amigos Way, Jamboree Road, and Park Newport Drive	
Project Description:	A coastal development permit and mitigated negative declaration for the Phase 2a habitat restoration at an 11.3-acre site located at the mouth of Big Canyon. The City of Newport and the Newport Bay Conservancy propose to restore historic riparian habitat by removing non-native vegetation and replanting native species, creating a mosaic of native and sustainable habitats, stabilizing the creek and floodplain with erosion control measures, and enhancing public access and education within the Big Canyon Nature Park with improved trails and closure of illegal trails. The project also includes maintenance of the restored habitat area and erosion quality measures to ensure that the plants are established and erosion features function as designed.	

Finding: Pursuant to the provisions of City Council K-3 pertaining to procedures and guidelines to implement the California Environmental Quality Act, the City of Newport Beach has evaluated the proposed project and determined that the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment and therefore recommended preparation of a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND). The MND reflects the independent judgment of City staff and recognizes project design features, previous environmental evaluations, standard construction and engineering practices, and the implementation of mitigation measures requiring review and reevaluation of future projects as contributing to avoidance of potential impacts. The project does not include any sites on an Environmental Protection Agency hazardous waste site list compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5.

A copy of the Initial Study containing the analysis supporting this finding is on file at the Planning Division and is available for review during the comment period cited above between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday and between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on Friday. The document can also be accessed online at: https://www.newportbeachca.gov/ceqa. Additionally, the document is also available for review at the following City public libraries:

Newport Beach Public Library Central Library 1000 Avocado Avenue Newport Beach, CA 92660 Newport Beach Public Library Mariners Branch 1300 Irvine Boulevard Newport Beach, CA 92660 Newport Beach Public Library Balboa Branch 100 East Balboa Boulevard Newport Beach, CA 92660

The Initial Study includes mitigation measures that would eliminate or reduce potential environmental impacts. This document will be considered by the decision-maker(s) prior to final action on the proposed project.



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- M.C. 11.04.080 M.C. 12.57,020

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- · LITTERING
- · USE OF PARK BETWEEN
- DOGS WITHOUT LEASH
- SKATEBOARDING ON: GRADES OF 6% OR MORE, BRICKWORK, ORNAMENTAL SURFACES, PICNIC TABLES, SEATING, ATHLETIC COURTS, STEPS, STAIRS, PLANTER WALLS, RETAINING WALLS, SCULPTURES, OR HANDRAILS.

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