

**SACRAMENTO-PLACERVILLE TRANSPORTATION
CORRIDOR JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY**

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-11-01

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Sacramento-Placerville Transportation
Corridor Joint Powers Authority ("Authority") on the date of:

November 2, 2015

**APPROVE THE SPTC-JPA NATURAL TRAIL PROJECT AND ADOPT THE
INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE NATURAL
TRAIL PROJECT**

WHEREAS, prior to the adoption of this Resolution, Foothill Associates prepared an Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration for Folsom and Sacramento County segment of the Authority's Natural Trail Project in accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended ("CEQA"), and state and local guidelines implementing CEQA; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's Natural Trail Project ("Project") consists of the development of a natural trail extending from Latrobe Road in El Dorado County to Iron Point Road in the City of Folsom; and

WHEREAS, the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration concluded that implementation of the Project could result in a number of significant effects on the environment and identified mitigation measures that would reduce the significant effects to a less-than-significant level; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the approval of a project involving the preparation of an initial study/mitigated negative declaration that identifies one or more significant environmental effects, CEQA requires the decision making body of the lead agency to incorporate feasible mitigation measures that would reduce those significant environment effects to a less-than-significant level; and

WHEREAS, whenever a lead agency approves a project requiring the implementation of measures to mitigate or avoid significant effects on the environment, CEQA also requires a lead agency to adopt a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program to ensure compliance with the mitigation measures during project implementation; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is the lead agency on the Project, and its Board of Directors is the decision-making body for the proposed Project; and

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WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has reviewed and considered the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and related Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Project and intends to take actions on the Project in compliance with CEQA and state and local guidelines implementing CEQA; and

WHEREAS, the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Project are, by this reference, incorporated into this Resolution as if fully set forth herein.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SACRAMENTO-PLACERVILLE TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY AS FOLLOWS:

THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS does hereby make the following findings:

(1) It has independently reviewed and analyzed the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and other information in the record and has considered the information contained therein, prior to acting upon or approving the Project,

(2) Based on the whole record before the Board of Directors (including the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and the comments received), there is no substantial evidence that the Project will have a significant effect on the environment, and

(3) The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration represents the independent judgment and analysis of the Authority as lead agency for the Project. The Authority designates Chief Executive Officer, John Segerdell, c/o PGH Wong Engineering, Inc., 1329 Howe Ave, Ste 110, Sacramento, CA 95825, as the custodian of documents and records of proceedings on which this decision is based; and

THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS does hereby approve the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) and adopt the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program set forth therein. The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program are on file in the office of the Chief Executive Officer, whose address is set forth above, and are available for inspection by any interested person; and

THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS does hereby approve the Authority's Natural Trail Project; and,

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THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS does hereby authorize and direct the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, on behalf of the Authority to file a Notice of Determination (NOD) with Sacramento County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of November, 2015, by the following vote:


AYES: 5

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 0


Chair

ATTEST:


Lori Merklein, Secretary