NOTICE OF PREPARATION

Fountain Wind Project

TO: State Clearinghouse FROM: Shasta County

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SUBJECT: Notice of Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR)

PROJECT TITLE: Fountain Wind Project (Use Permit No. UP 16-007)

Shasta County is the Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and is preparing an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project identified as the Fountain Wind Project, a wind energy project proposed on private timberland and consisting of up to 100 wind turbines with a generating capacity of up to 347 megawatts. The purpose of this Notice of Preparation (NOP) is to solicit guidance from Responsible, Trustee, and other agencies (as well as input from members of the public) as to the scope and content of the EIR, including potential impacts of concern and mitigation measures or alternatives that should be considered. The project location and project site are shown in Figure 1, which is attached to this NOP.

The probable environmental effects of the project are identified in the Initial Study attached to this NOP. Detailed project information, including the Initial Study, is currently available on the internet:

https://www.co.shasta.ca.us/index/drm index/planning index/eirs/fountain-wind-project

WRITTEN SCOPING COMMENTS: Written scoping comments will be accepted at any time during the 30-day scoping period. Due to the time limits mandated by state law, your response must be sent at the earliest possible date, but not later than the deadlines described below. Direct all questions and send all written comments to the project CONTACT (listed above).

PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING NOTICE: Shasta County will hold a public scoping meeting for agencies and individuals to learn more about the CEQA process for this project, and to receive comments regarding the appropriate scope and content of the EIR. The meeting will be held Thursday, January 24, 2018, at Montgomery Creek Elementary School, located at 30365 State Highway 299 East, Montgomery Creek, CA 96065. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. for informal viewing of project related information. The formal scoping meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

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If you do not have internet access or have trouble downloading project information from the internet address noted above, a copy may be reviewed or obtained at the Shasta County Dept. of Resource Management, Planning Division located at 1855 Placer Street, Suite 103 Redding, CA 96001. You may also call, e-mail, or mail the project CONTACT (listed above) for assistance.

If you would like to receive e-mail notifications about the Fountain Wind project, please email FountainWind411@esassoc.com with "Subscribe" in the subject line. The County will not sell your electronic contact information to anyone for any purpose. However, any information you provide may be subject to disclosure in response to a request for public information about the project.

The project description, location, and probable environmental impacts are noted in the Initial Study. The Initial Study preliminarily identifies the issues anticipated to be addressed briefly in the EIR (either because the resource is not present in the area or would not be affected by the project) and those impacts that the EIR will address in more detail. The EIR also may consider environmental issues that are raised by Responsible Agencies, Trustee Agencies, other interested agencies, and members of the public during the scoping process.

We need to know the views of your agency or organization as to the scope and content of the EIR germane to your agency's statutory responsibilities or to areas of interest to your organization in connection with the proposed project. Specifically, we are requesting the following:

- 1. If you are a public agency, state if your agency will be a responsible or trustee agency for the project and list the permits or approvals from your agency that will be required for the project and its future actions;
- 2. Identify potential significant environmental effects and mitigation measures that you believe need to be explored in the EIR with supporting discussion of why you believe these effects may be significant;
- 3. Describe special studies and other information that you believe are necessary for the County to analyze the potential significant environmental effects, alternatives, and mitigation measures you have identified;
- 4. Provide the name, title, e-mail address, and telephone number of the contact person from your agency or organization that we can contact regarding your comments.

Due to the time limits mandated by State law, your response must be received by the County of Shasta by the following deadlines:

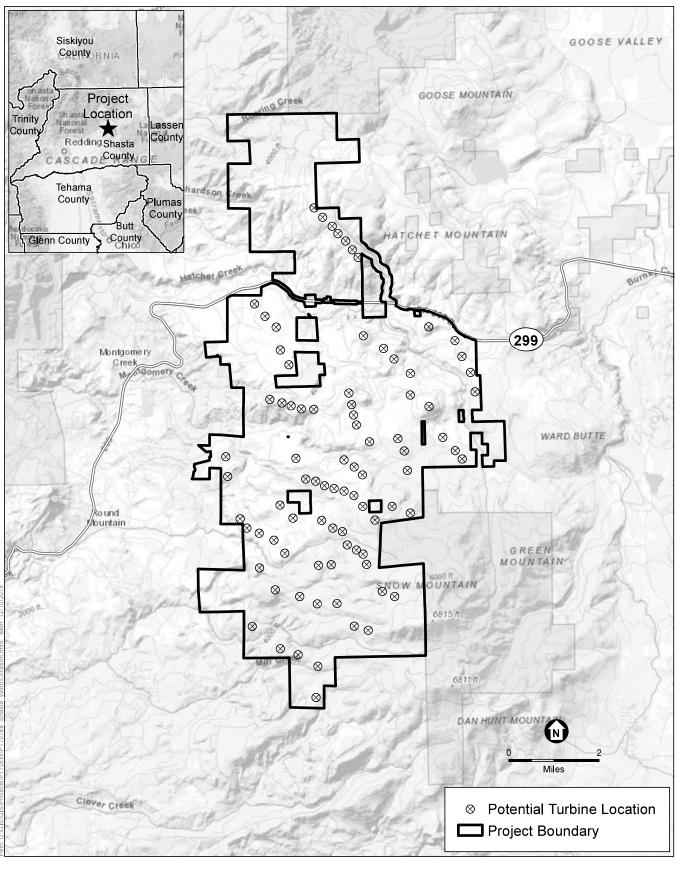
- For responsible and trustee agencies, not later than 30 days after you receive this notice,
- For all other agencies, organizations, and individuals not later than 30 days following the publication of this Notice of Preparation. The 30-day review period ends on Thursday, February 14, 2019.

If we do not receive a response from you, your agency or organization within the applicable time frame, we will presume that you, your agency or organization has no response to make.

A Responsible Agency, Trustee Agency, or other public agency may request a meeting with Shasta County or its representatives in accordance with CEQA Guidelines Section 15082(c). A public scoping meeting will be held during the scoping period as noted above. Electronic copies of project-related documents and technical studies are available online via a project-specific webpage at: https://www.co.shasta.ca.us/index/drm_index/planning_index/eirs/fountain-wind-project.

Date: January 15, 2019

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Figure 1
Project Location



Fountain Wind Project NOP Distribution List

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