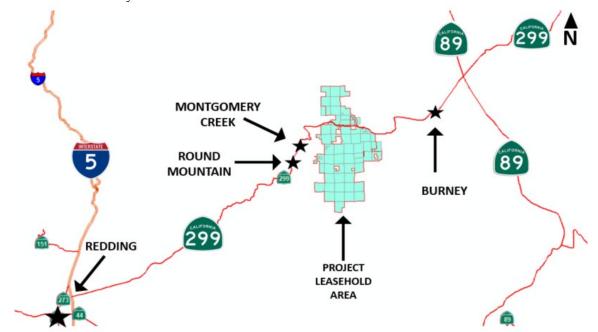
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BY THE SHASTA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION TO CONSIDER USE PERMIT 16-007 AND A FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE FOUNTAIN WIND PROJECT

This notice is being provided pursuant to applicable law. Fountain Wind, LLC has requested approval of Use Permit 16-007 for a renewable wind energy generation development proposed on approximately 4,464 acres in unincorporated Shasta County. The applicant has applied for a use permit to construct, operate, maintain, and ultimately decommission up to 71 wind turbines and associated transformers together with associated infrastructure and ancillary facilities. Each turbine would be no more than 679 feet tall, as measured from ground level to vertical blade tip (total tip height) and would have a generating capacity of 3 to 6.2 megawatts (MW). The project would have a maximum total generating capacity of up to 216 MW.

The project site is located within an approximately 29,500-acre leasehold comprised of 76 Shasta County Assessor's parcels operated as managed forest timberlands. The project site is located approximately one mile west of the existing Hatchet Ridge Wind Project, 6 miles west of Burney, 35 miles northeast of Redding, immediately north and south of California State Route 299 (SR 299), and near the private recreational facility of Moose Camp, and other private inholdings. Other nearby communities include Montgomery Creek, Round Mountain, Hillcrest, Wengler, and Big Bend. The project site is also within a geographic area that is traditionally and culturally affiliated with the Pit River Tribe. Lassen National Forest lies to the southeast, and the Shasta-Trinity National Forest is to the north.



The Planning Commission of the County of Shasta, State of California, acting as the lead agency, will consider the recommended environmental determination and hold a public hearing on whether to approve, conditionally approve, or deny the use permit for the project described in this notice. The Planning Commission will also consider certification of a Final Environmental Impact Report.

The public hearing to consider whether to approve, conditionally approve, or deny the use permit for the project and whether to certify the Final Environmental Impact Report will be held on Tuesday, June 22, 2021 with the session beginning at 1:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the business of the Commission will allow. The hearing will be held at the Shasta College Theatre located on the Shasta College campus at 11555 Old Oregon Trail, Redding CA.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES are, consistent with restrictions related to the current COVID-19 pandemic, encouraged and invited to submit written comments regarding the proposed actions or participate in the public hearing to be heard regarding the actions to be considered including, but not limited to, consideration of a use permit for the proposed project and the proposed certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report for the proposed project.

Given the current COVID-19 pandemic and in compliance with orders and recommendations of federal, state and local authorities, the procedures governing the conduct of the Planning Commission meeting may be modified. Please refer to the Planning Division's webpage at www.co.shasta.ca.us/index/drm/planning or call the Planning Division at (530) 225-5532 for information about these modifications. Reasonable accommodations will be made to individuals with disabilities.

To ensure consideration by the Commission, all written material concerning the proposed project should be submitted to the Department of Resource Management, Planning Division, 1855 Placer Street, Suite 103, Redding, California 96001 as soon as possible and no later than three days prior to the hearing. All items presented to the Planning Commission before or during a public hearing, including but not limited to, letters, e-mails, petitions, photos, or maps, become a permanent part of the record and must be submitted to the Secretary of the Planning Commission. It is advised that the presenter bring eight copies of anything presented to the Commission, that the presenter create copies in advance for their own records. Persons wishing to submit written comments or appear before the Planning Commission are encouraged to first contact the staff planner listed for the project.

Any appeal of the decisions of the Planning Commission shall be made accordance with Shasta County Code section 17.92.030. Please refer to the agenda for the public hearing for additional information regarding appeals. Please note that any challenge of the proposed action in court may be limited to addressing only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing.

A copy of the staff report and all attachments will be posted on the Shasta County Planning Division website and will be available for review at the Department of Resource Management, Planning Division, 1855 Placer Street, Suite 103, Redding, California 96001 at least 72 hours prior to the hearing; Telephone (530) 225-5532. Please bring this notice to the attention of anyone who may be interested in this information. (Publication Date: 06/04/21)