FORT BRAGG, CA

NOYO HARBOR

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Jim Hurst	Richard Shoemaker	Dan Platt	Grant Downie	Domenick Weaver	Anna Neumann
Chair	Vice Chair	Commissioner	Commissioner	Commissioner	Harbormaster

Noyo Harbor Commission Meeting Agenda
Thursday November 13th 2025 6pm
Town Hall,
363 N. Main Street, Fort Bragg, CA

Call to Order

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

The Noyo Harbor Commission welcomes input from the public. Please limit your comments to five minutes so that everyone may be heard. The Brown Act does not allow action to be taken on non-agenda items.

Consent Calendar

1. Minutes October Regular Meeting 2025
2. Financial October November 2025

Conduct of Business

1. Discussion and possible action on Resolution 2025-1 CEQA Waiver
2. Discussion and possible action on Resolution 2025-2 Oil Spill Award

Staff Reports and Recommendations

Ca Job's First Implementation Program

Matters from the Commissioners

Attorney Report

CONDUCT OF BUSINESS (Closed Session)

1. Employee Review of Harbormaster

Government Code Section 54957

Adjournment to the next regular meeting

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NOYO HARBOR DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
31-Oct-25

Chase Checking	$110,573.57
Chase Money Market	$74,174.63
LAIF	$1,062,682.43
Total of all accounts	$1,247,430.63

July 1 2024-October 31 2025
Budget to Date

	FY Year to Date	Budget	$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Income				
Electricity	$2,641.66	$18,000.00	-15,358.34	14.68
Encroachment Leases		$25,000.00	-25,000.00	0.00
Harbor Festival	$11,910.31	$12,000.00	-89.69	99.25
Ground Rent	$13,885.53	$24,000.00	-10,114.47	57.86
Income / Mdco. County Taxes	$18,444.75	$150,000.00	-131,555.25	12.30
Interest Income	$27,892.66	$52,000.00	-24,107.34	53.64
Late Fees	$230.00	$2,000.00	-1,770.00	11.50
Other Grant Proceeds	$11,911.41	$90,000.00	-78,088.59	13.23
Park & Launch	$13,527.48	$30,000.00	-16,472.52	45.09
Slip Rental Contract	$119,857.99	$420,000.00	-300,142.01	28.54
Slip Rental Transient	$37,337.11	$60,000.00	-22,662.89	62.23
Total Income	**$257,638.90**	**$883,000.00**	**-$625,361.10**	**29.18**
Expense				
Advertising Expense	$295.15	$1,000.00	-704.85	29.52
Communications Expense	$2,043.65	$4,000.00	-1,956.35	51.09
Deferred Maintenance	$22,812.67	$5,000.00	17,812.67	456.25
Dues and Subscriptions Exp	$7,679.72	$17,000.00	-9,320.28	45.17
Emp. Health & Dental Insurance	$13,891.72	$40,800.00	-26,908.28	34.05
Fuel Expense	$803.16	$4,000.00	-3,196.84	20.08
Harbor Festival	$4,347.72	$4,000.00	347.72	108.69
Insurance Property & Liability	$263,685.39	$265,000.00	-1,314.61	99.50
Legal and Professional Fees	$11,574.25	$24,000.00	-12,425.75	48.23
Office Expense	$6,248.43	$10,000.00	-3,751.57	62.48
Operating Supplies	$2,802.83	$5,000.00	-2,197.17	56.06
Payroll Tax Expense	$6,542.56	$18,000.00	-11,457.44	36.35
Power	$19,207.91	$56,000.00	-36,792.09	34.30
Repairs & Maintenance	$8,350.90	$40,000.00	-31,649.10	20.88
Sep. Ira	$6,920.73	$21,000.00	-14,079.27	32.96
Taxes & Assessments	$4,712.25	$2,000.00	2,712.25	235.61
Travel and Conferences	$1,645.51	$2,000.00	-354.49	82.28
Utilities Expense	$21,567.67	$65,000.00	-43,432.33	33.18
Wages Expense (Hourly)	$83,452.98	$227,000.00	-143,547.02	36.76
Total Expense	**$488,585.20**	$810,800.00	-322,214.80	60.26
Net Income	-$230,946.30	$72,200.00		-319.87

Profit and Loss

October 2025

Distribution account	Total
Income	
Electricity	245.66
Ground Rent	7,879.55
Income / Mdco. County Taxes	376.85
Interest Income	13,715.06
Other Grant Proceeds	3,465.00
Park & Launch	1,814.00
Slip Rental Contract	41,465.99
Slip Rental Transient	3,416.09
Total for Income	**$72,378.20**
Cost of Goods Sold	
Gross Profit	**$72,378.20**
Expenses	
Advertising Expense	48.27
Communications Expense	177.95
Dues and Subscriptions Exp	163.99
Emp. Health & Dental Insurance	3,615.05
Fuel Expense	134.09
Insurance Property & Liability	11,266.00
Legal and Professional Fees	1,981.75
Office Expense	1,699.94
Payroll Expenses	
Taxes	1,578.59
Wages	20,634.80
Total for Payroll Expenses	**$22,213.39**
Power	4,757.05
Repairs & Maintenance	1,087.83
Sep. Ira	1,697.83
Travel and Conferences	1,149.73
Utilities Expense	5,362.46
Total for Expenses	**$55,355.33**
Net Operating Income	**$17,022.87**
Other Income	
EDD-CERF	67,749.95
Grant Reimbursements	14,038.83
Total for Other Income	**$81,788.78**
Other Expenses	
Donna J Tsunami Damage	4,561.25
EDD Project	66,947.92
FEMA 4683	62.50
SCC Marina Redevelopment	7,473.75

Total for Other Expenses	**$79,045.42**
Net Other Income	**$2,743.36**
Net Income	**$19,766.23**

October 2025 Expenses

Date	Payee	Category	Total
10/31/2025	CA EDD	CA SUI / ETT	-147.6
10/30/2025	Red Rhino	Fuel Expense	72.09
10/27/2025	Cadium Creations	EDD Project	923.24
10/24/2025	Hilton Hotel Chain	Travel and Conferences	129.63
10/23/2025	ACE American Insurance Co	Insurance Property & Liability	9806
10/22/2025	Google	Office Expense	9.99
10/22/2025	CA EDD	CA PIT / SDI	-462.3
10/22/2025	IRS	Federal Taxes (941/943/944)	-2318.8
10/17/2025	QuickBooks Payroll	QuickBooks Tax Holding Account	-2781.1
10/16/2025	West Business Developmen	EDD Project	26762.1
10/16/2025	Redwood Waste Solutions	Utilities Expense	3166.52
10/16/2025	O'Reilly Auto Parts	Repairs & Maintenance	158.36
10/16/2025	P.G.& E.	Power	25.96
10/16/2025	The Rental Place FB	Repairs & Maintenance	32.37
10/16/2025	Rossi's Building Materials	Repairs & Maintenance	877.1
10/16/2025	SHN Engineers & Geologists	--Split--	1621.25
10/16/2025	SHN Engineers & Geologists	EDD Project	26626.4
10/16/2025	James A. Jackson	Legal and Professional Fees	423
10/16/2025	P.G.& E.	Power	4691.5
10/16/2025	Los Gallitos	Travel and Conferences	655.5
10/16/2025	The Sign Shop	Office Expense	1625
10/16/2025	P.G.& E.	Power	39.59
10/16/2025	Nationwide Agribusiness Ins	Insurance Property & Liability	1460
10/16/2025	Anna Neumann	Travel and Conferences	190.4
10/15/2025	Red Rhino	Fuel Expense	62
10/10/2025	Verizon Wireless	EDD Project	35.49
10/09/2025	Adobe	Dues and Subscriptions Exp	19.99
10/09/2025	SHN Engineers & Geologists	EDD Project	7615.22
10/08/2025	CA EDD	CA PIT / SDI	-485.81
10/08/2025	IRS	Federal Taxes (941/943/944)	-2416
10/07/2025	MCN	Communications Expense	177.95
10/06/2025	Hilton Hotel Chain	Travel and Conferences	174.2
10/06/2025	Backblaze	Dues and Subscriptions Exp	18
10/06/2025	Yahoo	Dues and Subscriptions Exp	5
10/03/2025	City of Fort Bragg (1)	Utilities Expense	79.84
10/03/2025	City of Fort Bragg (1)	Utilities Expense	1563.72
10/03/2025	City of Fort Bragg (1)	Utilities Expense	120.6
10/03/2025	City of Fort Bragg (1)	Utilities Expense	110.41
10/03/2025	City of Fort Bragg (1)	Utilities Expense	69.65
10/03/2025	City of Fort Bragg (1)	Utilities Expense	251.72
10/02/2025	Mountain Fresh	Office Expense	17.5
10/02/2025	Facebook Marketing	Advertising Expense	48.27
10/02/2025	Edward Jones	Sep. Ira	944.1

October 2025 Expenses

10/02/2025	QuickBooks Payroll	Dues and Subscriptions Exp	121
10/02/2025	QuickBooks Payroll	QuickBooks Tax Holding Account	-2901.8
10/01/2025	Amazon	Office Expense	47.45
10/01/2025	Blue Shield of California	Emp. Health & Dental Insurance	3615.05
10/01/2025	Franklin Templeton	Sep. Ira	753.73
10/01/2025	Caito Fisheries Inc.	--Split--	140
10/01/2025	Fort Bragg Electric	EDD Project	4845.49
10/01/2025	DMV renewal	Repairs & Maintenance	20
10/01/2025	SHN Engineers & Geologists	SCC Marina Redevelopment	7473.75
10/01/2025	SHN Engineers & Geologists	Donna J Tsunami Damage	4561.25

Noyo Harbor District

Payroll summary by employee report

From Oct 01, 2025 to Oct 31, 2025 for all employees from all locations

Item	Total	Koski Bruce	Koski (1) Jay	Neumann Anna T	Savedra Nick	Scofield Robert
Hours - total	**711.84**	**89.5**	**176**	**173.34**	**171**	**102**
Hours - Regular Pay	523.5	89.5	162		170	102
Hours - Overtime Pay	1		0		1	
Hours - Sick Pay	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hours - Vacation Pay	6		6	0	0	
Hours - Holiday Pay	8		8		0	
Hours - Bonus	0			0		
Hours - Salary	173.34			173.34		
Gross pay - total	**$ 20,634.80**	**$ 1,815.06**	**$ 5,264.16**	**$ 6,294.00**	**$ 5,193.02**	**$ 2,068.56**
Gross pay - Regular Pay	$ 13,876.63	$ 1,815.06	$ 4,845.41		$ 5,147.60	$ 2,068.56
Gross pay - Overtime Pay	$ 45.42		$ 0.00		$ 45.42	
Gross pay - Sick Pay	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Gross pay - Vacation Pay	$ 179.47		$ 179.47	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	
Gross pay - Holiday Pay	$ 239.28		$ 239.28		$ 0.00	
Gross pay - Bonus	$ 0.00			$ 0.00		
Gross pay - Salary	$ 6,294.00			$ 6,294.00		
Pretax deductions - total						
Adjusted gross	**$ 20,634.80**	**$ 1,815.06**	**$ 5,264.16**	**$ 6,294.00**	**$ 5,193.02**	**$ 2,068.56**
Other pay - total	**$ 0.00**	**$ 0.00**	**$ 0.00**	**$ 0.00**	**$ 0.00**	**$ 0.00**
Employee taxes & deduct	**-$ 4,104.34**	**-$ 237.05**	**-$ 1,117.49**	**-$ 1,523.30**	**-$ 936.09**	**-$ 290.41**
Employee taxes - total	**-$ 4,104.34**	**-$ 237.05**	**-$ 1,117.49**	**-$ 1,523.30**	**-$ 936.09**	**-$ 290.41**
Employee taxes - Federal	-$ 1,577.64	-$ 56.50	-$ 461.82	-$ 685.84	-$ 291.63	-$ 81.85
Employee taxes - Social Se	-$ 1,279.37	-$ 112.54	-$ 326.38	-$ 390.23	-$ 321.97	-$ 128.25

Employee taxes - Medicar	-$ 299.22	-$ 26.32	-$ 76.33	-$ 91.27	-$ 75.30	-$ 30.00
Employee taxes - CA Incor	-$ 700.51	-$ 19.91	-$ 189.80	-$ 280.44	-$ 184.87	-$ 25.49
Employee taxes - CA State	-$ 247.60	-$ 21.78	-$ 63.16	-$ 75.52	-$ 62.32	-$ 24.82
Employee Aftertax deduc						
Net pay	**$ 16,530.46**	**$ 1,578.01**	**$ 4,146.67**	**$ 4,770.70**	**$ 4,256.93**	**$ 1,778.15**
Employer taxes & contrib	**$ 1,578.59**	**$ 138.86**	**$ 402.71**	**$ 481.50**	**$ 397.27**	**$ 158.25**
Employer taxes - total	**$ 1,578.59**	**$ 138.86**	**$ 402.71**	**$ 481.50**	**$ 397.27**	**$ 158.25**
Employer taxes - FUTA Em	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Employer taxes - Social Se	$ 1,279.37	$ 112.54	$ 326.38	$ 390.23	$ 321.97	$ 128.25
Employer taxes - Medicar	$ 299.22	$ 26.32	$ 76.33	$ 91.27	$ 75.30	$ 30.00
Employer taxes - CA ETT	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Employer taxes - CA SUI E	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Company contributions -						
Total payroll cost	**$ 22,213.39**	**$ 1,953.92**	**$ 5,666.87**	**$ 6,775.50**	**$ 5,590.29**	**$ 2,226.81**

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Noyo Harbor Commission Meeting Minutes
Thursday October 9th 2025 6pm
Town Hall,
363 N. Main Street, Fort Bragg, CA

Video call link: https://meet.google.com/ahq-toda-hyy

Call to Order at 6pm

Roll Call

Present: Commissioner Platt, Commissioner Weaver, Vice Chair Shoemaker

Absent: Commissioner Downie, Chair Hurst

Staff Present: Anna Neumann, Nick Savedra, Jim Jackson

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Jake and Audrey from Wild Blue introduced themselves and alerted the commissioners that they were under contract to purchase the Makela Building.

Consent Calendar

1. Minutes September Regular Meeting 2025
2. Financial Report September 2025

Motion to approve. 1st Commissioner Weaver, 2nd Commissioner Platt. Approved: 3-0-2

Conduct of Business

1. Presentation from Fher and Peers on Multimodal Circulation Access Plan

Kelly Bond and Matthew Ridgeway from Fher and Peers presented the commission with their draft Multimodal Circulation Access Plan. Commissioners asked a few clarifying questions to the report and Kelly and Matthew were going to follow up to ensure that the text in the report was clear.

Motions to accept the Fher and Peers presentation. 1st Commissioner Weaver, 2nd Commissioner Platt. Approved 3-0-2

2. Discussion and possible action on Economic Development Agency Disaster Supplemental Grant

The Harbormaster detailed the EDA grant she would like to submit to renovate the sediment containment cell. In addition to the renovation the Harbormaster would like to reach out to the City of Fort Bragg and MCOG or Cal Trans to be co-application on the grant. As the Harbor renovates the cell, they would work with the City or MCOG to complete the Coastal Trail connection or emergency egress on North Harbor. Ideally, the additional funds for these projects would act as a match for the Harbor District.

Overall, the commissioners agreed that the application should continue to be flushed out and eventually submitted. No motion was made.

3. Discussion and possible action on Marina Redevelopment Map Version 1

The Harbormaster and Marina Manager lead a conversation on the version 1 map of the redevelopment project. They detailed feedback they had received from the community and from the fishing fleet. Overall the ADA gangways seemed to be the largest concerns. Many boaters did not like the potential long walks to their boats.

The Harbormaster will set another meeting with Bellingham Marine to discuss feedback and next steps. No Motion was made.

Staff Reports and Recommendations

<u>City of Fort Bragg's Blue Economy Visioning Resiliency and Implementation Open House</u>

The City of Fort Bragg hosted an open house for the BEVRI project. The open house was very well attended and several leaders in the Blue Economy worlds were present, such as the director of California Sea Grant. The Harbormaster gave a quick overview of the Special District's Analysis and Domenick gave an overview of the community outreach that went into the plan.

<u>Recap of Icehouse Open House</u>

The opening of the Icehouse went very well. There was a lot of energy in the harbor that day, folks were working on their vessels during the dock walk and the parking lot was full of recreational boaters. Several members of Governor Newson's cabinet were present at the dock walk and for the opening of the icehouse as well. It was a great opportunity to show off the Harbor and District's hard work.

<u>Recap of Harbor Festival</u>

The Noyo Harbor Festival was another great event this year. The fish taco competition and fillet competition were both a big hit. The Harbormaster, Captain O'Neil, Supervisor Norvell and reporter Frank Hartzel all walked the plank and it was a bunch of fun. The harbormaster has been getting positive feedback and folks like the move to South Harbor.

Matters from the Commissioners

Commissioner Weaver detailed several conversations he had with attendees of the icehouse opening who sat in Governor Newson's cabinet and the importance of that opportunity.

Attorney Report

None

CONDUCT OF BUSINESS (Closed Session)

1. Employee Review of Harbormaster

Government Code Section 54957

Closed Session did not take place and was moved to the November meeting

Adjournment to the next regular meeting at 7:34pm. 1st Commissioner Platt. 2nd Commissioner Weaver. Approved 3-0-2

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Noyo Harbor District
Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date:	11/13/2025
Item Number:	1
Title:	Resolution 2025-1 CEQA
Recommended Action:	Approval or Direction

Analysis

This resolution has been requested by SHN for the piling replacement work to be done within the Noyo Harbor District.

Fiscal Impact

The piles to be replaced by Donna J are 100% covered and the piles to be replaced by the District will come from reserve funds

Attachments

Resolution 2025-1

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Noyo Harbor District
Resolution 2025-1

A RESOLUTION FINDING THE NOYO HARBOR PILE REPLACEMENT PROJECT EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES SECTIONS 15301, 15302, AND 15304, AND AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

Whereas, the Noyo Harbor District (District) proposes to remove and replace damaged creosote-treated timber piles at the High Dock and adjacent floating dock systems within the Noyo Harbor Marina, Fort Bragg, Mendocino County, California; and

Whereas, the project includes the removal of up to six existing creosote-treated timber piles, and the installation of up to five replacement steel piles of similar size and function, with all work occurring within the existing marina footprint; and

Whereas, the proposed project involves repair and replacement of existing harbor infrastructure with no increase in marina capacity, dock area, or berthing, and constitutes maintenance and replacement of existing facilities; and

Whereas, the District has considered the project's potential environmental effects and determined that the project qualifies for the following categorical exemptions under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines (Title 14, California Code of Regulations):

- Section 15301 – Existing Facilities, which exempts the operation, repair, maintenance, and minor alteration of existing public facilities involving negligible or no expansion of use;
- Section 15302 – Replacement or Reconstruction, which exempts the replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities on the same site with substantially the same purpose and capacity; and
- Section 15304 – Minor Alterations to Land, which exempts minor alterations in the condition of land or water that do not involve substantial disturbance of soil or removal of mature vegetation; and

Whereas, the District has evaluated potential exceptions to the use of categorical exemptions under CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2, including potential cumulative impacts, unusual circumstances, location within a sensitive environment, scenic highway, hazardous waste site, or historical resource, and has determined that none of these exceptions apply; and

Whereas, the project will be subject to review and permitting by other regulatory agencies, including the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Nationwide Permit No. 3[a]), the California Coastal

Commission (Coastal Development Permit), the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement), and the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Section 401 Certification / Notice of Intent), all of which will impose best management practices and standard permit conditions to ensure protection of water quality and marine biological resources; and

Whereas, the District finds that implementation of such conditions, combined with construction BMPs and the limited scope and disturbed nature of the site, will ensure that all temporary construction effects are reduced to less-than-significant or no-impact levels; and

Whereas, the District has prepared a Notice of Exemption documenting the above findings and has determined that filing said notice with the Mendocino County Clerk satisfies CEQA documentation requirements for this project.

Now, therefore, be it resolved and ordered by the Noyo Harbor District Commission as follows:

1. The Commission finds that the above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference as findings of the Board.
2. The Commission finds that the Noyo Harbor Pile Replacement Project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 (Existing Facilities), 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction), and 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land), and that none of the exceptions set forth in CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 apply.
3. The Board authorizes the Harbormaster (or designee) to file a Notice of Exemption with the Mendocino County Clerk pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15062.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted by the Noyo Harbor District at the meeting thereof held on November 13, 2025.

Ayes: _____
Noes: _____
Abstained: _____
Absent: _____

Signature: _____
Name and title of authorized record keeper of
recipient's governing board or

Seal of the Clerk

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
PO Box 3044
Sacramento, CA 95812

Mendocino County Clerk
500 Low Gap Road
Ukiah, CA 95482

FROM: Noyo Harbor District
19101 S Harbor Dr
Fort Bragg, CA 95437

PROJECT TITLE: Noyo Harbor Pile Replacement Project

PROJECT LOCATION – SPECIFIC: High Dock and adjacent floating dock systems within Noyo Harbor Marina, Fort Bragg, Mendocino County, California. Approx. coordinates: 39.4246°N, -123.8013°W

PROJECT LOCATION – CITY: Fort Bragg

PROJECT LOCATION – COUNTY: Mendocino

DESCRIPTION OF NATURE, PURPOSE AND BENEFICIARIES OF PROJECT:
This project will restore safe and functional harbor infrastructure for the benefit of commercial fishermen, recreational users, and marina tenants. Project activities include:

1. Removal of three (3) creosote-treated wood piles, varying in diameter from 12 to 16 inches and of unknown length, fixed to a wood dock structure (High Dock) with guide/containment hoops and bracing. These piles were damaged in the July 30, 2025, tsunami event.
2. Removal of two (2) creosote-treated wood piles, varying in diameter from 12 to 16 inches and of unknown length, fixed to dock float systems with guide/containment hoops and bracing.
3. Potential removal of one (1) broken, underwater creosote-treated wood pile, approximately 15 inches in diameter and of unknown length, that was broken during the 2023 FEMA-declared storm event. The pile was sheared beneath the water level during the storm, and the remaining portion will be removed if feasible.
4. Placement of three (3) up-to 14-inch diameter steel fender piles wrapped in HDPE sleeves, guide/containment hoops, and bracing fixed to the High Dock (Noyo Marina). It is anticipated that the replacement piles will be driven into the marina floor, or to refusal. Excess pile length above the water surface will be cut to match the length of existing piles.
5. Placement of two (2) up-to 14-inch diameter steel structural piles wrapped in HDPE sleeves, guide/containment hoops, and bracing fixed to the dock float system. Excess pile length above the water surface will be cut to match the length of existing piles.
6. Piles at High Dock will be removed and placed using a crane with vibratory claw from the High Dock. Access to the dock where crane will be located is paved. BMPs will be employed on dock to capture spills and prevent debris from entering the waterway.

7. Piles at dock float systems will be removed and placed using equipment from a barge using a crane and vibratory claw. BMPs will be employed on the dock to capture any spills and prevent debris from entering the waterway.
8. Construction is expected to occur between July 15 and October 15, to ensure that the peak salmonid migration periods for both spawning adults and out-migrating smolts are avoided, as well as to minimize the potential for impacts to green sturgeon.

NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING PROJECT: Noyo Harbor District

NAME OF PUBLIC AGENCY CARRYING OUT PROJECT: Noyo Harbor District

EXEMPT STATUS:

☐ Ministerial
☐ Declared Emergency
☐ Emergency Project
☒ Categorical Exemption: 15301, 15302, 15304
☐ Statutory Exemption

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

The Noyo Harbor District, as Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), has determined that the proposed pile replacement project is exempt from further environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301 (Existing Facilities), 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction), and 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land).

The project involves the removal of damaged creosote-treated wood piles and replacement with steel piles of similar dimensions and function within the existing marina facility at Noyo Harbor. The work will occur entirely within the existing developed footprint of the High Dock and adjacent floating dock systems. No new berthing areas, expansion of marina capacity, or change in use is proposed. The project constitutes the repair and replacement of existing harbor infrastructure involving negligible or no expansion of use.

- *Class 1 – Existing Facilities (CEQA Guidelines §15301)*

This exemption applies to the operation, repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing public or private structures, facilities, or mechanical equipment, involving negligible expansion of use.

The project restores the structural and operational integrity of existing docks and piles within a long-established marina facility. Pile replacement will occur in the same locations and does not increase the number of berths, dock area, or capacity of the facility. The activity is maintenance necessary to maintain safe harbor operations following storm and tsunami damage.

Work will occur from existing paved dock areas or barges with no new access roads or staging areas required. Because the work will not expand use or capacity and is limited to maintenance of existing facilities, the project qualifies under Class 1.

- *Class 2 – Replacement or Reconstruction (CEQA Guidelines §15302)*

This exemption applies to the replacement or reconstruction of existing structures and facilities where the new structure will be located on the same site and have substantially the same purpose and capacity.

The damaged creosote-treated timber piles will be replaced with steel piles of similar diameter and function (fender and structural piles). The replacement piles will occupy the same or a lesser footprint and serve the same structural purpose, maintaining the mooring and stability of existing docks. Additionally, the replacement piles will not extend further into navigable waters than existing piles. The use of steel piles with HDPE sleeves represents a maintenance improvement that will reduce future maintenance frequency and eliminate leaching of creosote into the waterway. No expansion, new structures, or increase in the number of berths or dock length is proposed. Therefore, the project meets the definition of replacement-in-kind and qualifies under Class 2.

- *Class 4 – Minor Alterations to Land (CEQA Guidelines §15304)*

This exemption applies to minor alterations in the condition of land, water, or vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agricultural purposes.

The only ground (or substrate) disturbance is limited to the immediate area of the piles being removed and driven; this area is already highly disturbed harbor sediment. No dredging, fill, or alteration of the seafloor beyond the existing pile footprint will occur. Pile driving and extraction will be performed with vibratory equipment, avoiding percussive noise and minimizing turbidity.

BMPs (e.g., debris containment, turbidity control, spill prevention) will be implemented during all work to prevent release of contaminants or materials into Noyo River estuary waters. The minor and localized nature of substrate disturbance meets the intent and limitations of Class 4.

- *Exceptions Analysis (CEQA Guidelines §15300.2)*

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2, the Noyo Harbor District has evaluated the proposed project for potential exceptions to the use of categorical exemptions and determined that none apply.

The project will occur entirely within an existing, developed marina basin that has been previously disturbed by decades of harbor and vessel activity. The work area consists of pile footprints, floating docks, and paved dock access areas within the established Noyo Harbor facility. No expansion of dock footprint, dredging, or new shoreline disturbance is proposed.

There is no reasonable possibility that the project will have a significant effect on the environment due to unusual circumstances. The removal of damaged creosote-treated piles and replacement with steel piles of similar dimensions constitutes a minor maintenance and infrastructure replacement action consistent with the ongoing operation of the marina. The project will employ vibratory extraction and installation methods to minimize turbidity and underwater noise, and will implement debris-containment, spill-response, and water-quality BMPs throughout construction. Work will occur between July 15 and October 15, outside of peak migration periods for anadromous salmonids and green sturgeon, avoiding potential biological impacts.

In addition, the project will be subject to review and permit conditions from multiple resource agencies that will further reduce or eliminate any potential for environmental impact:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE): Authorization under Nationwide Permit No. 3(a) for Maintenance, requiring adherence to federal best management practices for in-water construction and debris removal.

California Coastal Commission (CCC): Coastal Development Permit (CDP) review ensuring consistency with the Coastal Act's marine resource protection, water quality, and public access policies.

California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW): Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement (LSAA) establishing measures for avoidance of take, turbidity control, and spill prevention.

North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Water Board): Section 401 Water Quality Certification or Notice of Intent (NOI) under the Clean Water Act, ensuring compliance with water quality protection criteria.

Through these regulatory mechanisms, the project will incorporate standard avoidance, minimization, and monitoring requirements that ensure all temporary construction effects are reduced to less-than-significant or no-impact levels.

The project will not contribute to cumulative impacts, as it replaces a small number of existing piles and does not increase marina capacity, traffic, or intensity of use. The site is not within a designated State Scenic Highway corridor, is not included on the hazardous waste sites list (Government Code § 65962.5), and will not adversely affect any known historical or cultural resources.

Accordingly, none of the exceptions identified under CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2(a–f) apply, and the categorical exemptions under Sections 15301 (Existing Facilities), 15302 (Replacement or Reconstruction), and 15304 (Minor Alterations to Land) remain valid and appropriate for this project.

- *Conclusion*

The project restores existing harbor facilities to their prior condition and functionality, involves only minor temporary construction activity in a previously developed and disturbed marina area, and incorporates best management practices and regulatory oversight to avoid and minimize potential effects on biological and water quality resources.

Accordingly, the Noyo Harbor District finds the project categorically exempt under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15301, 15302, and 15304, and that no exceptions to the exemptions (per §15300.2) apply.

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HAS A NOE BEEN FILED BY THE PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: Yes

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____ TITLE: _____

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Noyo Harbor District
Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date:	11/13/2025
Item Number:	2
Title:	Resolution 2025-2 Oil Spill
Recommended Action:	Approval or Direction

Analysis

This resolution would allow the Harbor District to accept an Oil Spill Equipment Grant from CDFW. This is the 3rd time the District has accepted this grant. Funds can be used for purchasing oil spill absorbent materials which the District uses in their vessel abatement programs and when accidents occur within the District. This program has no match, and the total grant award is $5,000.

Fiscal Impact

No Impact.

Attachments

Resolution 2025-2

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Jim Hurst	Richard Shoemaker	Dan Platt	Grant Downie	Domenick Weaver	Anna Neumann
Chair	Vice Chair	Commissioner	Commissioner	Commissioner	Harbormaster

Noyo Harbor District
Resolution 2025-1

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ENTERING INTO A FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE (CDFW) AND AUTHORIZING AND THE NOYO HARBOR DISTRICT FOR THE OIL SPILL EQUIPTMENT GRANT.

Whereas the Noyo Harbor District has submitted an application to the CDFW for funding for the Oil Spill Equipment Grant; and

Whereas, prior to the CDFW executing a funding agreement, Noyo Harbor District is required to adopt a resolution authorizing an agent, or representative, to sign the funding agreement, amendments, and requests for disbursement on behalf of Noyo Harbor District and to carry out other necessary Project-related activities;

Now, therefore, be it resolved and ordered, that the Noyo Harbor District is hereby authorized to carry out this Project, enter into a funding agreement with the CDFW, and accept and expend funds for this Project in the amount of $5,000; and

Be it further resolved and ordered, that the Noyo Harbor District, or designee, is hereby authorized and designated to sign for the funding agreement for this Project and any amendments thereto; and

Be it further resolved and ordered, that any and all actions, whether previously or subsequently taken by (GRANTEE), which are consistent with the intent and purposes of the foregoing resolution, shall be, and hereby are, in all respects, ratified, approved, and confirmed.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted by the Noyo Harbor District at the meeting thereof held on March 11th, 2024

Ayes: _____
Noes: _____
Abstained: _____
Absent: _____

Signature: _____

Name and title of authorized record keeper of
recipient's governing board or

Seal of the Clerk

Staff Report

CA Job's First Implementation Project

Mary Anne Petrillo with West Center is working on developing another huge grant award for Blue Economy projects across the state. She, in conjunction with West Center, have submitted a Letter of Intent to the CA Job's First Implementation program. Currently, there are not any shovel ready projects within the District that can be accomplished in the two year time frame specified by the grant. The Harbormaster is keeping up with the project in case anything comes up. There has been talk of doing a dredging program in conjunction with Humboldt Bay and Cresent City, but the two year time frames are making implementation projects in the marine environment difficult to accomplish.

The Harbormaster did pitch the concept of a state wide crew conference targeted toward young in their career fishermen. Topics could include safety, navigation, financial planning, ect. Hopefully another partner group would be willing to take on the project as it is outside of the Harbormasters scope of work.