



Notice of Public Hearing

Board of Zoning Appeals

- SPECIAL HEARING-

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Notice of Public Hearing for Conditional Use Permit #6222 3420, 3500, 4401 and 4500 Arroyo Seco Road

Zoning: OS (Open Space) and PD-16 Jet Propulsion Laboratory (Employee Parking)

General Plan Designation: Open Space

Subject: An appeal of the Hearing Officer's decision on Conditional Use Permit #6222 has been filed for the consideration by the Board of Zoning Appeals. The Conditional Use Permit was approved by the Hearing Officer on January 7, 2015.

The applicant, City of Pasadena, Water and Power Department, submitted a Conditional Use Permit application to allow the repair and replacement of facilities within the Arroyo Seco Canyon Area that were damaged or destroyed by Station Fire-related events of 2009. The improvements will also allow the increased utilization of surface water rights held by the City, and will improve water quality in the canyon; improve biological habitats; restore hydrological function and fish passage; and improve ecosystem health through the following enhancements:

1) Naturalize the Arroyo Seco streambed; 2) Remove exposed portions of existing infrastructure designed for sediment removal; 3) Restore and improve the intake facilities; 4) Expand recharge operations by creating additional spreading basins; 5) Reduced barriers to fish passage; 6) Enhance recreational facilities; 7) Build a new restroom facility; and 8) Improve stormwater quality through a smaller decomposed granite parking lot.

A Conditional Use Permit is required for any recreational improvements within the OS Zoning District. In addition to the improvements, a total of 17 protected trees are proposed to be removed in order to accommodate the proposed improvements.

Environmental: An Initial Environmental Study has been prepared for the project by BonTerra Psomas in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Initial Study is available for public review and comment from October 9, 2014 through November 8, 2014. The Initial Study determined there could be significant impacts related to Cultural Resources, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Noise, Transportation, Biological Resources, and Recreation but through the incorporation of mitigation measures, these impacts would be reduced to less than significant levels. Impacts to all other study areas were found to be less than significant. A Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program have therefore been prepared for the project. A copy of the Initial Study and related documents are available for public viewing at the Permit Center or on the Web at http://cityofpasadena.net/Planning/Environmental_Notices.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a SPECIAL public hearing to consider the appeal of CUP #6222. The meeting is scheduled on:

Date: Wednesday, March 4, 2015 – SPECIAL HEARING
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Place: Council Chamber, Pasadena City Hall
100 North Garfield Avenue, Room S249

Public Information: Any interested party or their representative may appear at the meeting and comment on the project. Written comments may also be mailed or delivered to the Board of Zoning Appeals at the Current Planning Section address below. If you challenge the matter in Court, you may be limited to raising those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing, or in written correspondence delivered to the Board of Zoning Appeals at, or prior to, the public hearing. The file can be reviewed at the *Permit Center, 175 North Garfield Avenue* by appointment only.

For more information about the project and the related environmental documentation or to schedule an appointment:

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