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PRESS RELEASE

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**TO: INTERIM CEO, SARA PIERCE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEDIA PARTNERS**

FROM: PLANNING AND BUILDING SERVICES

RE: SEA LEVEL RISE RESILIENCY STRATEGY PUBLIC WORKSHOPS

The Department of Planning and Building Services, along with its partner Environmental Science Associates (ESA), is excited to host a series of public workshops throughout coastal Mendocino County related to the ongoing Sea Level Rise Resiliency Strategy (SLRRS) project.

To address sea level rise challenges, the County is updating its Local Coastal Program (LCP) with the latest science, policies, and community-driven strategies to adapt to sea level rise and enhance coastal resilience.

The workshops will include a brief presentation on the findings of the [Sea Level Rise Analysis & Risk Assessment](#) and draft resilience strategies and an interactive open house featuring maps and informational poster boards. Community members are encouraged to attend, ask questions, and help shape the County's approach to preparing for sea level rise.

The workshops will take place on the following dates and locations:

1. **Tuesday, September 29 @ 6pm** – Fort Bragg Town Hall
2. **Wednesday, September 30 @ 6pm** – Westport Community Center
3. **Thursday, October 1 @ 6:30pm** – Gualala Coast Life Support District Platt Room during the Gualala Municipal Advisory Council meeting
4. **Friday, October 2 @ 6pm** – Mendocino High School Performing Arts Center
5. **Saturday, October 3 @ 12pm** – Point Arena Community Chest
6. **Monday, October 5 @ 5pm** – Virtual Public Workshop (Zoom)

A fully virtual workshop option will be available on Monday, October 5 at 5pm via Zoom at: <https://esassoc.zoom.us/j/8919024548?pwd=ykGBAcwnPHD7kvBsFykwRQEclFxC.1&omn=88170648582>.

For more information about the project, please visit the SLRRS website at:

<https://www.mendocinocounty.gov/departments/planning-building-services/planning-division/long-range-plans/sea-level-rise-resilience-strategy>.

If you cannot attend a workshop, please consider taking our online survey at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PY662XD>.

For inquiries about the project, please contact mendocinoslrstrategy@esassoc.com or 707-234-6650.