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Mr. Rick Tooker, Community Development Director
City of Napa
1600 First Street
P.O. Box 660
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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT

**RE: NOTICE OF INTENT TO CONDUCT AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA)
FOR NAPA, CA FRANKLIN STATION**

Dear Mr. Tooker:

This is to inform you that the United States Postal Service (USPS) is preparing an EA under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to evaluate potential impacts on the environment from the proposed sale of Napa Franklin Station located at 1351 2nd Street, Napa, CA 94559-9991. Sale is the preferred action, but the EA includes other alternatives as discussed in the attached Notice of Intent (NOI).

If you would like to request additional information about the proposed action, please contact me at (201)714-7216, or at the following address:

USPS NJ NDC
80 County Road
Jersey City, New Jersey 07097-9800

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "C. Parrish", written over a horizontal line.

Charlotte Parrish
Facilities Environmental Specialist, Field and HQ Support

Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Assessment

The United States Postal Service (USPS) intends to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) pursuant to the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, its implementing procedures at 39 CFR 775 and the President's Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), for the proposed sale (disposal) of the USPS Napa-Franklin Station Post Office, located at 1351 2nd Street, Napa, CA 94559-9991. The Napa-Franklin Station building sustained significant structural damage during the South Napa Earthquake in August 2014 and has been inoperable and unoccupied since that time. Constructed in 1933, the Napa-Franklin Station has been determined eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. As a result, the USPS has initiated consultation with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and the California Office of Historic Preservation under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (36 CFR Part 800).

The proposed action would involve disposing of the 13,020-square-foot structure and 0.66-acre property and offering it for sale in its current condition to an as-yet undetermined buyer. In addition to the proposed action, the EA will also evaluate three other alternatives: rehabilitating the existing Napa-Franklin Station so that USPS operations can continue at that facility; demolishing the building and establishing a new USPS facility on the existing site; and demolishing the building and constructing a new USPS facility on another site, likely through a lease agreement. The EA will also evaluate the impacts of a “no action alternative,” which would involve retaining the Napa-Franklin Station in its current condition and retaining USPS ownership and management of the building and grounds without resuming operations.

The EA will examine and evaluate the physical and cultural environmental impacts of the proposed action and other alternatives under consideration. The EA is expected to be completed in October 2015 and will be made available to the public at local libraries or upon request. For additional information about the proposed action or to provide any comments regarding the NEPA process and evaluation, please contact: Ms. Charlotte Parrish, Facilities Environmental Specialist, USPS, Field and Headquarters Support, New Jersey National Distribution Center, 80 County Road – 3rd Floor, Jersey City, New Jersey 07097-9800, or via email at charlotte.parrish@usps.gov.