

# Mendocino County Association of Fire Districts

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Board of Supervisors  
Mendocino County  
501 Low Gap Road, Rm 1010  
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re: Road Naming

Dear Members of the Board,

Every Fire Agency and ambulance provider in Mendocino County is 911 dispatched to homes and properties located on roads without names. Address numbers trace back to the nearest named roads that are often miles away. While local awareness is essential for navigating the maze of unnamed roads, without this critical knowledge, emergency services/help from other Agencies is seriously hampered and delayed when needed most.

Simplification and streamlining County Code requirements to allow public safety entities increased latitude in the naming of roads to facilitate emergency response is strongly supported by our Association. Former Chief Colin Wilson's well thought out proposals are based on common sense and experience. When implemented, they will prove invaluable and life-saving in upcoming critical incidents.

We ask you to seriously consider and adopt Chief Wilson's proposals and Code changes.

With Respect,



Ben MacMillan  
Steering Committee  
MCAFD