



## CITY OF POINT ARENA

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Mendocino County Board of Supervisors  
501 Low Gap Road, Room 1010  
Ukiah, CA 95482

Dear Board of Supervisors,

The Coast Community Library is an integral and vital part of the City of Point Arena and the South Coast region. Originally started by a dedicated group of volunteers, Coast Community Library is now a branch of the Mendocino County Library system and is supported by Friends of the Coast Community Library and the County of Mendocino. Evidence of the strong support for the county library system was shown by the South Coast community's overwhelming support for Measure A.

We are concerned about recent proposals to place the library system within a larger Cultural Services Agency, merged with the museum and county parks.

We are concerned that funds specifically designated for the library system through Measure A will be diluted by inclusion in the Cultural Services Agency, resulting in a potential loss of control of the library budget and library reserve fund through the potential for co-mingling and improper use of dedicated library funds. This may negatively impact any voter extension of Measure A.

We are also concerned that the Library will not have a full-time director because the CSA department head would service the library, the museum and parks. The library system deserves a full-time library director. Reducing the director and other administrative staff to a part-time status within the library system will diminish focus on library services and programs.

Thus, we urge the Board of Supervisors to maintain the library system as a separate entity for the benefit of all the residents of Point Arena and the South Coast community.

Sincerely,

  
Scott Ignacio  
Mayor