

**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MENDOCINO COUNTY  
SHERIFF’S OFFICE, MENDOCINO COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES,  
MENDOCINO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, MENDOCINO  
COUNTY CANNABIS DEPARTMENT, AND MENDOCINO COUNTY ANIMAL CARE  
SERVICES PERTAINING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AGRICULTURE PASS  
PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, California Food and Agriculture section 2350 provides that a county board of supervisors may authorize its agriculture commissioner to establish a livestock pass program to allow qualifying livestock producers and their employees access to their properties during or following a flood, storm, fire, earthquake, or other disaster; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 21, 2022, the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors authorized the Mendocino County Agriculture Commission to establish a livestock pass program pursuant to section 2350; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Mendocino recognizes the need for owners of agriculture and cannabis businesses to access their properties during times of disaster. The Board further authorized the Agriculture Commissioner to establish a Restricted Area Access Agriculture Pass Program (“Ag Pass Program”) which will include access passes to be issued to all types of commercial agriculture, as well as kennels; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mendocino County Department of Agriculture (“MC Ag”), Mendocino County Sheriff’s Office (“MCSO”), Mendocino County Office of Emergency Services (“OES”), the Mendocino County Cannabis Department (“Cannabis”), and Mendocino County Animal Care Services (“Animal Care”) (collectively “the Parties”) have worked to create a Restricted Area Access Agriculture Pass Program (“Ag Pass Program”), which includes a Livestock Pass Program established pursuant to Food and Agriculture section 2350.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY AGREED** by and between the Parties that MC Ag, Cannabis, and Animal Care shall receive and process applications from commercial agriculture producers and commercial kennel operators that would allow qualifying individuals to be placed on a list approved for entry into restricted areas; and

**IT IS FURTHER AGREED** that during or following a flood, storm, fire, earthquake, or other disaster, MCSO or the incident commander will allow individuals authorized under the Ag Pass Program access to their property during daylight hours, to the extent that MCSO or the incident commander in their sole discretion determines that such access is appropriate under the circumstances at the time that access is requested; and

**IT IS FURTHER AGREED** that the parties to this MOU have established procedures associated with the County’s Agriculture Pass Program which are more fully described in the documents attached to this Agreement as Exhibit A.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

Mendocino County Office of Emergency Services

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Darcie Antle, Interim Director

Mendocino County Sheriff's Office

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Matthew Kendall, Sheriff

Mendocino County Agriculture

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Jim Donnelly, Director

Mendocino County Cannabis Program

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Kristin Nevedal, Director

Mendocino County Animal Care

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Richard Molinari, Director

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**

**DEPARTMENT FISCAL REVIEW:**

**CONTRACTOR/COMPANY NAME:**

DEPARTMENT HEAD \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Budgeted:  Yes  No

**NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR:**

Budget Unit: N/A \_\_\_\_\_

Line Item: N/A \_\_\_\_\_

Grant:  Yes  No

Grant No.: \_\_\_\_\_

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**COUNTY OF MENDOCINO**

By signing above, signatory warrants and represents that he/she executed this Agreement in his/her authorized capacity and that by his/her signature on this Agreement, he/she or the entity upon behalf of which he/she acted, executed this Agreement

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
TED WILLIAMS, Chair  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTEST:**

**COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW:**

DARCIE ANTLE, Interim Clerk of said Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

CHRISTIAN M. CURTIS,  
County Counsel

I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

DARCIE ANTLE, Interim Clerk of said Board

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**INSURANCE REVIEW:**

**EXECUTIVE OFFICE/FISCAL REVIEW:**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Risk Management

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy CEO or Designee

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Signatory Authority:** \$0-25,000 Department; \$25,001- 50,000 Purchasing Agent; **\$50,001+ Board of Supervisors**

**Exception to Bid Process Required/Completed**  \_\_\_\_\_

**Mendocino County Business License: Valid**

**Exempt Pursuant to MCC Section:** \_\_\_\_\_