Hello,

I am writing with the hope that camping in Mendocino County will open by the set-forth date of June 12. As a concerned humanitarian and environmentalist, I can assure you, that my family and I will continue to demonstrate deep care for your county and the health and safety of all people we encounter in your area when we come to camp.

My family and I currently have reservations (starting June 12) at the Manchester KOA in celebration of the high school graduation of my twin kids, Mary and John. They have humbly experienced the cancellation of a multitude of celebrations, events and rites of passage as the sun sets on successful school careers for them. A camping trip to beautiful Mendocino will help to mark this important milestone, and it will fill their hearts with joy. They love the ocean and the area and so look forward to being on the beach, after weeks in quarantine.

I'm sure that I speak for many others who have experienced great stress, isolation and uncertainty over the past weeks and months. One thing is certain for all of us: the ocean and its beauty, brings comfort, happiness and healing. So many people need that right now.

We will be careful, compliant and follow all distancing regulations! We know that the Manchester KOA will do the same!

Thank you for your consideration.

Barbara Snelgrove