

To the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors –

I want to let you know of our support for the proposed cell tower up here on Pine Mountain. Being connected to the community and the world is not a luxury anymore - it is the way the world works now. Our county benefits from each and every household that is knowledgeable, informed and engaged within the community. The other day the Sheriff was called out to a serious domestic dispute up here where the subject had a long gun and refused to come out of the house – pointing the gun laser at the Sheriff as they tried to diffuse the situation. Do we want our sheriff deputies to continue to have to confront that kind of threat without communication with dispatch and back-up units? Do we want fire departments fighting fires with no communication to the outside world? The state wants it, the county wants it, the city wants it, the police and fire departments want it, the locals want it –do not delay the approval of this project any further.

Please do not allow anti-technology groups from outside the area influence this decision – I respectfully request that the proposed cell tower be approved and installed ASAP for the benefit of the entire community.

Thank you.

Donald Smith and Family