

Dear supervisors,

I am writing in support of the Pine Mountain communication tower project.

My property adjoins Nixon and I have read Mr. Geller's letter to the supes.

His conclusion and opinions are on point with my own.

I would like to share one story that would have had a much different outcome if we had decent communications.

In 2017-Mendo Lake Complex Fire, Pine Mt . was evacuated. Friends decided to stay and fight their own fire. They brought a pick-up with their 3 cats and asked to leave them as my place seemed a safer bet. I had not yet decided to leave.

Later that day I went to town not realizing that I would not be allowed to return.

There was no means of communicating with my friends. The evacuation lasted longer than those poor animals and I am haunted to this day.

There are many reasons to improve communications which, in turn, greatly improves all our lives.

Please do the right thing and move this much needed project forward.

Thank you---Jim Schulz