

To the Board of Supervisors,

My husband and I live in a rural area of Willits, next to a ten acre farm and have been here for 20 years. As such, we are subjected to a myriad of wild animals, mostly deer, skunk, possum and raccoons. We have depended on Chris and Abby, the county trappers, to trap and dispose of these animals(except for deer and possum). We have outside cats, some tame, some feral, that we feed outside. The raccoons and skunks are aggressive towards our cats and eat their food. We don't mind the possums so much, as they eat ticks and other unwanted insects so the trappers free them, but the skunks and raccoons are a nuisance and carriers of disease.

We see no reason why the wildlife services in this county should be changed. Chris and Abby do an excellent job of educating us and trapping the wildlife. It is our understanding that the impetus for this new regulation comes from a group of people that live in the city and have no knowledge of what it's like to deal with aggressive wildlife.

Please leave the system as it stands and don't capitulate to outside influences.

Sincerely,

David & Barbaralee Lilker

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