

Hello,

I am writing to express my support for more humane (nonlethal) wildlife management practices in Mendocino County. The torturous practices that result in grisly deaths (which have far-reaching negative effects on the overall ecosystem) are inhumane, and not only result in the deaths of wild predators, but also domestic dogs. This is unacceptable, and even more so as it costs public money that could be better spent. Mendocino County can and should do better. Public funds should not go to support the system currently in place, killing animals in horrific ways and not even solving the problem it is set up to solve. There are better ways, and those management practices (like electric fences) should be the responsibility of farmers and homeowners, whose alternative efforts can and are able to actually solve the problem of unwanted predators, while the current system does not. Nearby counties have moved away from the inhumane practices currently in use in Mendocino county, and so should we. Please, please adopt a more humane wildlife management program on March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

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