

Dear BOS,

I send this letter below on behalf of Mr. Phelps Dewey in Covelo, CA.

Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

501 Low Gap Rd., Room #1010

Ukiah, CA 95482

Re: County Wildlife Services

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing this letter in support of the wildlife services recently received to remove a skunk living around the house in Covelo, Round Valley. This skunk had been a nuisance for quite a long time: marking around the house causing eye watering; spraying the dog creating extra long nights attempting to deodorize its fur; making evening walks around the property a generally unpleasant experience.

I first contacted Trapper Chris, though he informed me I would need a small animal service that is was available. I was initially surprised that it would cost \$100 though it turned out to be well worth it. In all a total of four skunks were eradicated from the property. Midway through the month-long service a fox was trapped though was released without incident. The benefit of this service was that all I was required to do was to bait and check the traps. There was a commitment on my end, though it was stated to be a collaboration from the beginning.

I am sure that without these animal services that there would still be four skunks causing the aforementioned issues on the property and making life way less enjoyable every evening. I am hopeful that these services continue to be available in our County and recommend maintaining them for county residents.

Thank you for your review of my letter.

Sincerely,

Phelps Dewey