To the Mendocino Count Board of Supervisors - Agenda 6A

The state wildlife exclusion program has been doing a great job. We have been using them for several years.

The year in the first week we used there service they took 3 skunks and 1 raccoon. These animals come back every year because it is familiar to them.

Last year they removed 4 skunks and 2 raccoons. These animals dig up our yard and dig until they can get under our house. These wonderful trappers have advised us on how to stop this. The skinks will find where we have closed their access and dig until they can get under out home again. Last summer a skink sprayed under out home making it difficult to live in our home for several days. These animals are a major menace.

The state trappers are well trained and experienced. They have given us valuable advice and help in eliminating this major problem. We are lucky to have the state trappers.

After reading your proposal it looks like taking over this service will be a major expense when there is already a successful system in place.

Without our wonderful, well-trained trappers we would be dealing with a massive mess.

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