

To BOS for Tuesday's agenda:

Jeff and I strongly urge you to not renew the contract and instead look to non-lethal, more humane options. We have been Mendocino residents for 40+ years. As long time advocates for animal rights we know there are viable alternatives.

Thank you for your attention!

Best,

Joan and Jeff Stanford

Attaching our letter from the last go round.

You will be addressing the adoption of a Non-lethal Alternative rather than the proposed IWDM Program. I know that you have received information that requests delay for additional public input particularly in respect to shortcomings in the Final Environmental Impact Report.

I don't want to add to your reading material but urge you to take the difficult route of reviewing the science. It is compelling - that attempted extermination of predators leads to exacerbating the problem and greater mortality to sheep and cattle than alternative approaches.

I am writing from some experience as I have been dealing with predator issues since re-establishing a farm on our property that includes the Inn. Additionally I am a former president of the Mendocino Coast Humane Society as well as the former Ag representative to Mendocino County Promotional Alliance. I am a member of the Farm Bureau and .

By the way, there's substantial promotional value to the County by adopting a non-lethal approach. We will be leaders in science-based decision making as we are leaders in protecting our agriculture from GMOs.

Sincerely,

Jeff Stanford

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