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Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

Dear members of the Board of Supervisors,

I am writing in support of the letter submitted by the Redwood Valley MAC regarding the allocation of PG&E settlement funds for the 2017 Redwood Complex Fire. Though I have since relocated to Ukiah, at the time I was a resident of Redwood Valley and a member of the RV MAC and I witnessed the horrible damage to the community.

I also witnessed the incredibly important role that the RV Grange played in providing a refuge, and a center for information, meetings and services that were essential in the process of recovery. Now, that community and the members of the MAC are asking that the settlement funds include not only a generous allocation to the upgrades desperately needed by the Grange, but also that allocations that are not directly in support of recovery for both the RV and Potter Valley communities be redirected for that purpose.

I hope you will reconsider the current budget proposal for those funds and make sure that they are used as they were intended to be used. Thanks for your attention.

Sincerely,
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