Mendocino County Board of Supervisors 501 Low Gap Road, Room 1010 Ukiah, CA 95482

Re: August 24, 2021 Board of Supervisors Meeting

By email: bos@co.mendocino.ca.us

RE: Agenda Items 3)a and 4)a)

3a) Discussion and Possible Action Including Adoption of Resolution Authorizing the Grant Application, Acceptance and Execution of Agreements by the Department of Transportation Water Agency Division for the Mendocino County Community Water Supply Replacement Project and to Advertise for Bids and Award Contracts to Implement Said Project at an Initial Estimated Cost of \$3,840,000 (Countywide) And Grant Matching Funds to be Allocated From PG&E Settlement Funds to Disaster Recovery Budget Unit 2910. (Sponsor: Water Agency)

4)a Discussion and Possible Action Including Presentation Regarding Increasingly Dire Drought Conditions and Abrupt Loss of Coastal Water Sale to Haulers... (Sponsor: Supervisor Williams)

Dear Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors

I am writing to express my support for Agenda Items 3)a amd 4)a).

As a Civil engineer, I've been studying our developing Coastal drought situation. What I like about the proposed Board action and resolution is that it takes a comprehensive approach to the problem. The various micro-water basins will need different solutions; wells, water hauling trucks, water storage tanks, ground water storage expansion, salt water barriers, water purchase and hauling, expanding Recycled water, etc. And yes of course funding.

I see your action as a means to materially change how our water collection and use is managed, as we experience and prepare for Global Warming. To this end, a citizen committee might be a helpful tool.

I look forward to supporting the grant application process. The County does in fact have a growing emergency problem!

Yours truly,

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