

STOP THE TIMBER HARVEST!

It is short-sighted, for profit only, (AND only for a small number of people) environmentally unfeasible and a colossally irresponsible disaster.

This piece says it ALL, please RE-READ:

Resolution No. 21-

Resolution of the MENDOCINO COUNTY Board of Supervisors REQUESTING SCIENTIFIC REVIEW
OF JACKSON DEMONSTRATION STATE FOREST

WHEREAS, the science is convincing that our existential fight against climate change

Demands expanded effort to store carbon in the State's natural and workinglands to remove it from the atmosphere;
and

WHEREAS, the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors embraces the responsibility to mitigate the systemic risks
climate change poses to humans and natural systems; and

WHEREAS, on October 7, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom, through an executive order, committed the State of California
to a goal of protecting 30% of

California's land and coastal waters by 2030; and

WHEREAS, in November of 2021, leaders of more than 100 countries, including the

United States, held climate talks in Glasgow and President Biden pledged to end deforestation by 2030; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's executive order directs the State's Natural Resources Agency to draw up a plan by February
1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the County of Mendocino has an integral role to play in helping the State achieve its 30 by 30 climate goal
encouraged by California's Climate Change Scoping Plan for local governments to adopt goals to reduce greenhouse
gas emissions by 15% below 1990's levels by 2020, 40% below 1990's levels by 2030 and 80% below 1990's levels by
2050; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection has adopted commercial Timber Harvest Plans
for Jackson Demonstration State Forest based on goals not yet refreshed to reflect the State's recent climate
commitments and has commenced logging; and

WHEREAS, science-based forest management is vital to bolstering long term forest health, improving forest resiliency
from wildfire, protecting wildlife habitat and riparian corridors; and

WHEREAS, the County of Mendocino respects the guidance of Mendocino's indigenous people, many of whom are
calling to prioritize carbon sequestration and in-forest storage, preservation and protection of Native American
cultural heritage, equitable access to public lands, and the protection of California's rare and endangered species; and

WHEREAS, the State of California should ensure there is not inconsistency between
Jackson Demonstration State Forest management goals and the adopted State of
California climate change commitments.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors urges Governor Newsom and the
State's Natural Resources Agency to include any climate impacts of commercial logging on State lands in drawing up
the plan to protect 30% of California's land use and coastal waters by 2030, and to publish a science-based report
that evaluates carbon sequestration capacity and wildfire resiliency of current management practices, as well as
alternate management scenarios, of Jackson

Demonstration State Forest; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors strongly urges

Governor Newsom to align Jackson Demonstration State Forest management goals with the adopted State of
California climate change commitments, and to do so in a way that enhances the wide-ranging scientific, recreational
and economic opportunities offered by Jackson Demonstration State Forest.

Sincerely,

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