From: Ford, John
To: McNamara, Cade
Cc: Schatz, Elizabeth

Subject: FW: Limit number of short term rentals

Date: Thursday, February 15, 2024 8:28:25 AM

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## Hi Cade:

The Staff Report needs to include Willow Creek as an optional add to the areas subject to the cap.

John

John H. Ford Director of Planning and Building (707) 268-3738



From: Madrone, Steve <smadrone@co.humboldt.ca.us>

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2024 3:49 PM

To: b nachem <br/> shachem@gmail.com>; Ford, John <JFord@co.humboldt.ca.us>

**Subject:** Re: Limit number of short term rentals

John more input from Willow Creek

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From: b nachem < bnachem@gmail.com >

**Sent:** Monday, February 12, 2024 8:17:03 AM

**To:** Madrone, Steve < smadrone@co.humboldt.ca.us>

Subject: Limit number of short term rentals

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Mr. Steve Madrone County of Humboldt I am writing to urge you to support a limit on the number of vacation or short term rentals in Willow Creek. There is a shortage of year-round rentals available in our area, which is already having an impact on essential workers and others who need or want to live here. Willow Creek in the summer is a resort area, similar to what Trinidad has become, and converting long term rentals into short term rentals can be financially appealing to owners and investors. This only exacerbates the housing shortage situation.

Given the small population of the area, loss of even a few permanent residences in a neighborhood can greatly affect that community. For example during "snowmageddon" last year, a neighbor of ours fell and broke his hip while clearing downed trees. Fortunately, other neighbors who were also out doing the same thing saw he was in trouble and were able to call an ambulance and help him while he waited for it to arrive. If these homes had been vacation rentals, there would have been no one there, and who knows what would have happened to him. In addition to this very local issue, decreasing the proportion of permanent residents would mean fewer people to contribute to the community as a whole, for example the Volunteer Fire Department.

Please consider the well being of our community and cap the number of short term rentals in Willow Creek.

Thank you,

Beverly Nachem PO Box 1542 Willow Creek, CA 95573