

From: Bonnie Burgess <bonniekburgess@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 11, 2021 1:25 PM
To: County Administrative Office <cao@co.humboldt.ca.us>
Subject: Redistricting Advisory Committee: Community of Interest worksheet

Dear Redistricting Advisory Committee,

I tried to fill out your "Document Your Community Interest" worksheet form on line and found it impossible to use. Using the "fill" function on the PDF only allows a small amount of text to be seen and it does not wrap. Please use the following as a replacement. I have included everything that is on the form below, with questions in italics. I also attached the questions/comments as a Word document to this email and dropped off a hard copy of my comments at the County Administrative Office, 825 5th St., Room 112, Eureka. I hope you will consider my comments, even though they are not on your PDF form. My apologies.

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Bonnie Burgess, District 4 bonniekburgess@gmail.com

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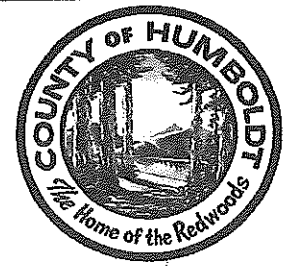
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EUREKA'S WEST SIDE

COMMUNITY TITLE

J Egan

NAME

phnege707@gmail

EMAIL

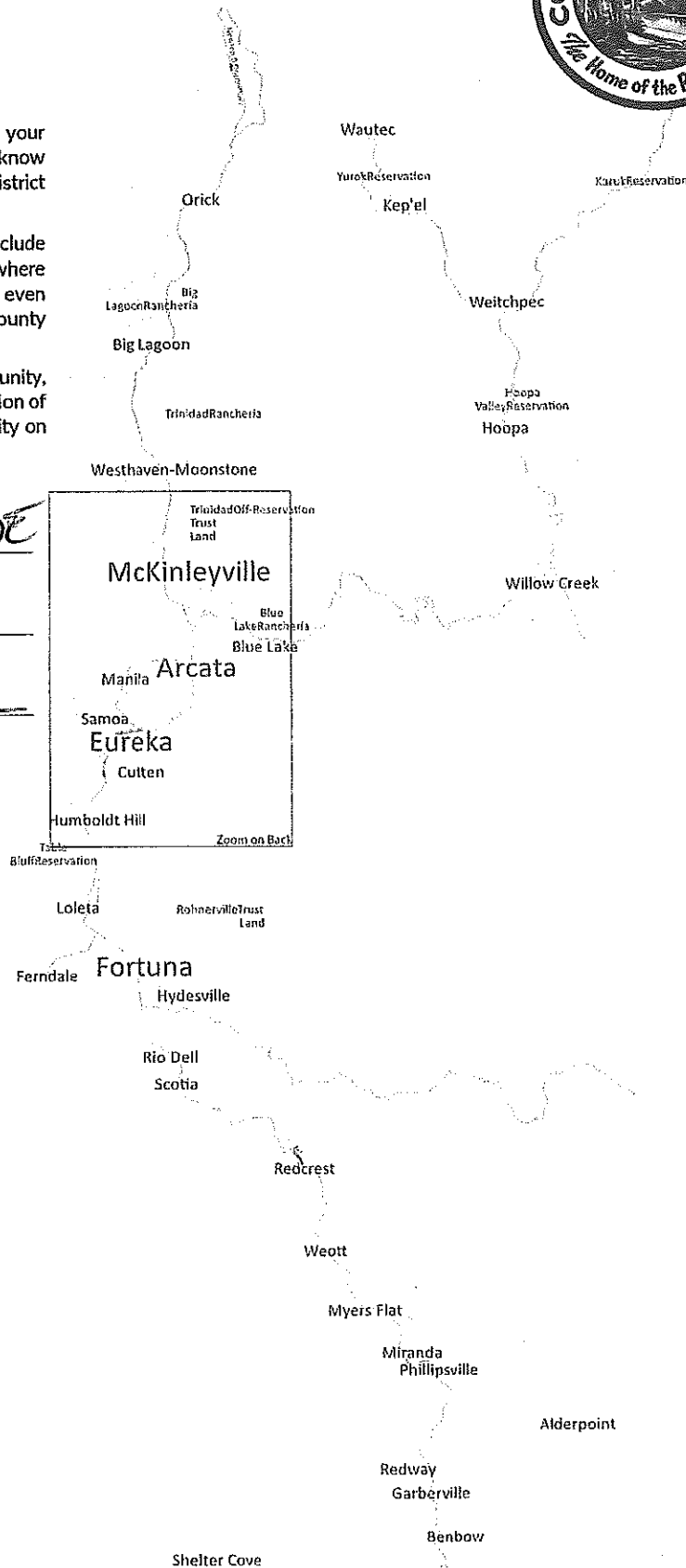
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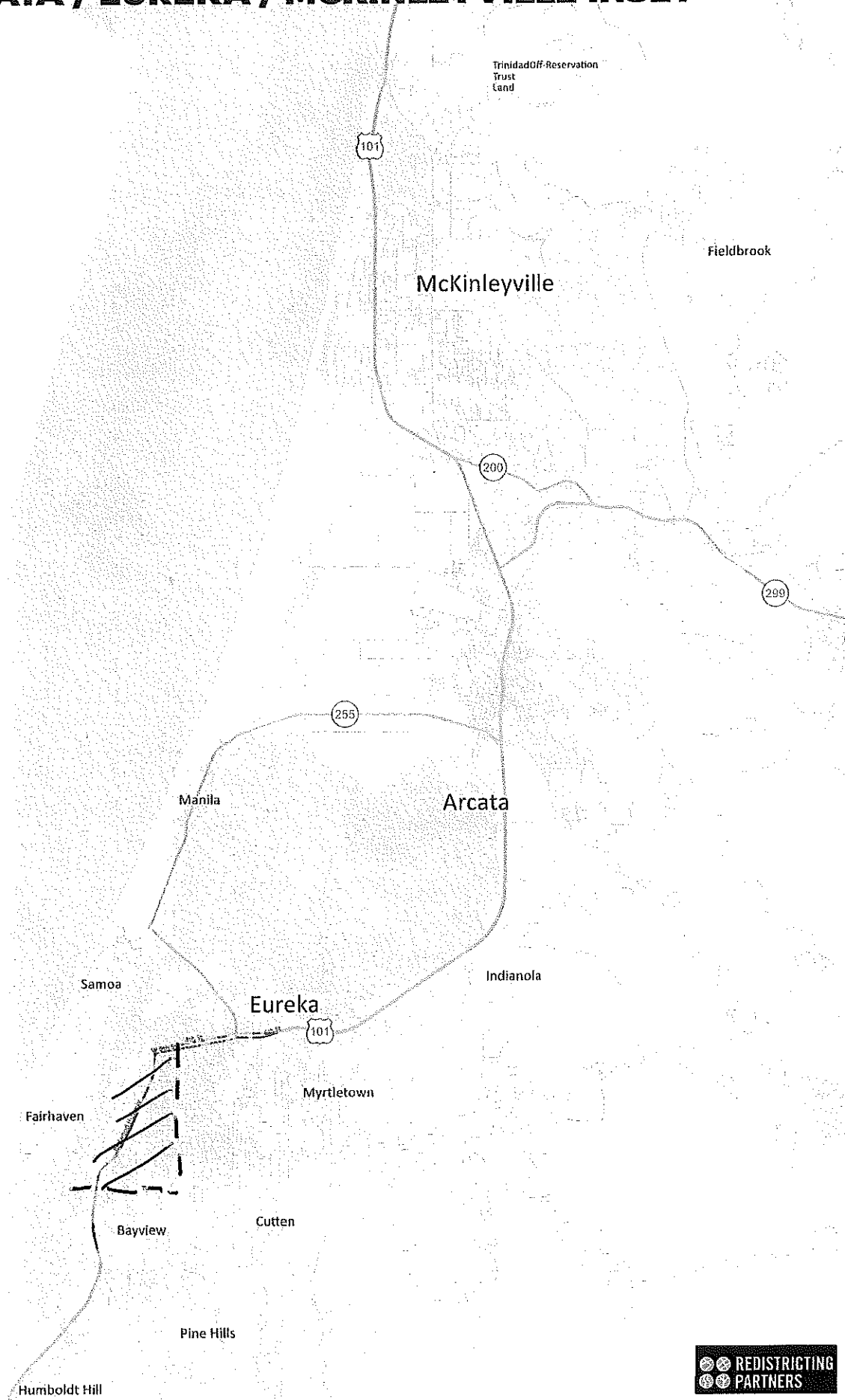
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From: Coldwell Banker Six Rivers Real Estate <office@6rivers.com>
Sent: Friday, October 1, 2021 4:33 PM
To: County Administrative Office <cao@co.humboldt.ca.us>
Subject: DISTRICTING COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE

It would be a great benefit to the Lumbar Hills area to be added to the 3rd District.

Our community interests are much more in line with Eureka than any other area.

Bailey Sanderson

Office Manager

Coldwell Bank Six Rivers Real Estate

707-725-9376



Email: cao@co.humboldt.ca.us



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1. What are the common interests in your community? Describe how they are important:

Rural Area not in the city

2. Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the physical boundaries?

Im in Freshwater Kneelers Area

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I should be in a more rural Area and not influenced by Arcata. Arcata is mainly renters while my community is home owners. Our concern is Robos & Sheriff's Response, Arcata's priorities are totally different

4. What else would you like to tell us about your community?

we should be in District 1 or 2, Not 3

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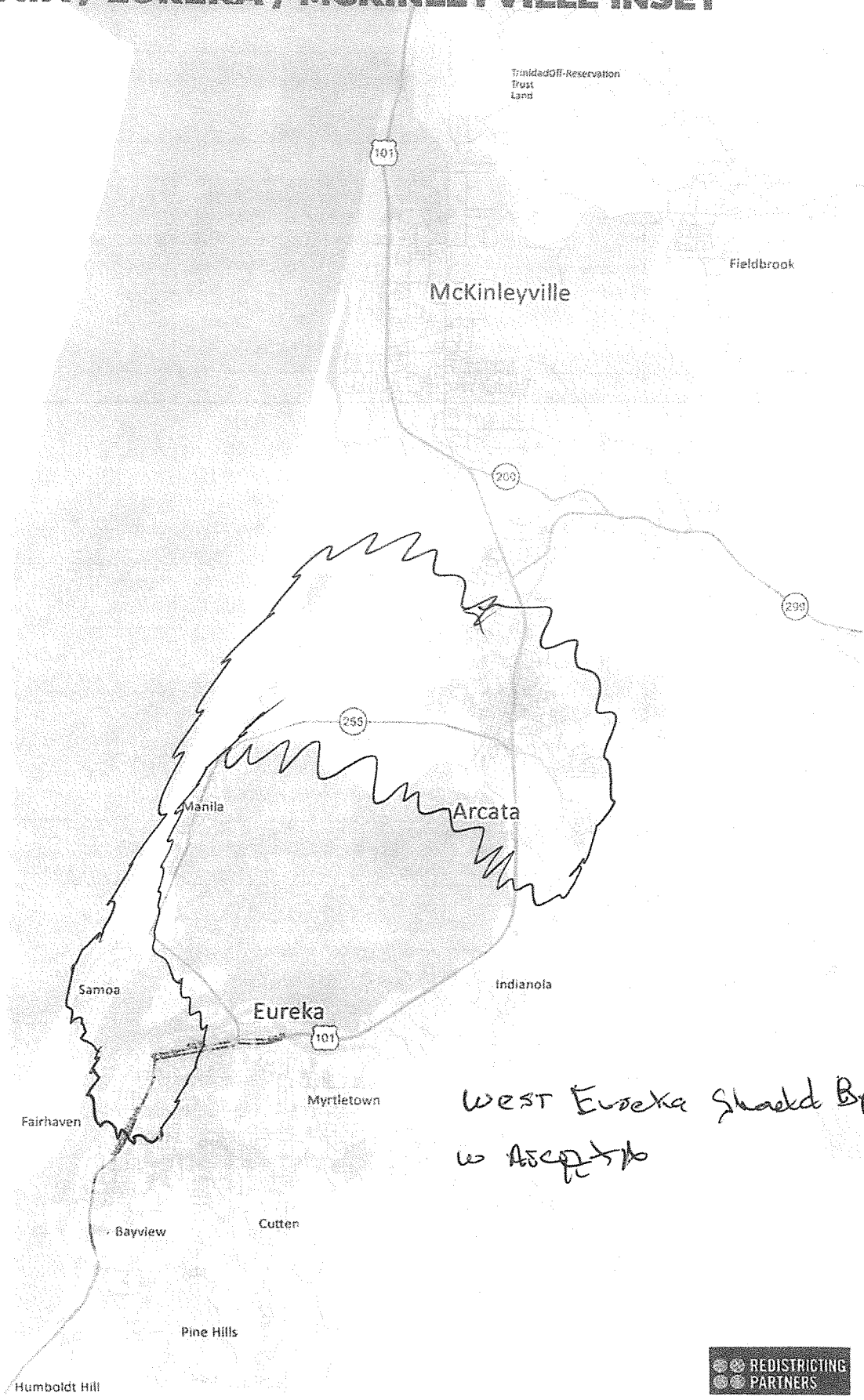
First name: Rob

Email: romdacth77@gmail.com

Which district do you live in? If you're not sure, write your address and we'll look it up:

District 1 District 2 District 3 District 4 District 5

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From: Robin Praszker <rmp459@humboldt.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, October 5, 2021 10:28 PM
To: County Administrative Office <cao@co.humboldt.ca.us>
Subject: Redistricting information - pop changes in each district

Hello,

I have just learned of the redistricting process so I have not attended any of the meetings yet. I am hopeful since this process has been active for a few months now that you might have the data available for the change in population for each existing district. My apologies if this was already shared at a public meeting but I would love to be able to learn more. I did find the census data for population change for each census tract but I am unable to deduce how this translates to our existing district lines.

Thanks

Robin P.

Sent from my iPhone

Dear RAC Commissioners,

Please accept these comments on communities of interest as they related to redistricting. I live in Eureka's Westside neighborhood, which some have proposed to be cleaved off and added to Arcata. I am opposed to the Eur-Cata proposed district as this would break up the Eureka COI and it would present practical difficulties in establishing new precincts.

Communities of Interest

It is difficult to conceive of a more definite community of interest than those found within a political boundary. As a Eurekaan, I share more in common with other Eurekaans than I do with residents in Samoa/Manilla or Arcata. Eurekaans are governed by the same city code, share educational ties (Go Loggers!), share the same community leaders in our city council, and have economic and social ties that bind us to the rest of the city. All this is clear as we identify under the same autonym, Eurekaans. (We also clearly distinguish ourselves from our rivals, those dastardly Arcatans!) While a Eur-Cata district is certainly intellectually interesting, it fails to recognize the true COI that the RAC is charged with protecting. Therefore, I urge you to maintain the jurisdictional bounds of Eureka within a single district.

Practical Difficulties with a Eur-Cata District

~~I also write to highlight a practical difficulty in a Eur-Cata district.~~ For many election cycles, I have volunteered with the County Office of Elections. One frequent complaint is that their neighbor on one side of the street will have in-person voting but they don't because they are in different precincts. Precincts can't cross jurisdictional lines—that is, we can't have a precinct cover areas in both Eureka and unincorporated county lands. Carving off the Westside area would result in terribly small precincts that likely could not be serviced by in-person voting and result in full vote by mail precincts in this area. As someone who has worked the polls, I can tell you that this would result in voting chaos and upset.

Best,
Tom

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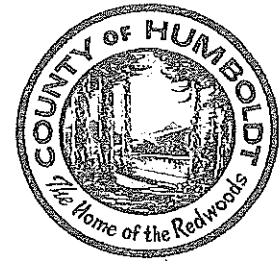
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Pronouns: he/him/his

"If EPIC had not undertaken its lonely efforts on behalf of the Marbled Murrelet, it is doubtful that the species would have maintained its existence throughout its historical range in California." - Judge L. Bechtle, *Marbled Murrelet v. Pacific Lumber Co.*

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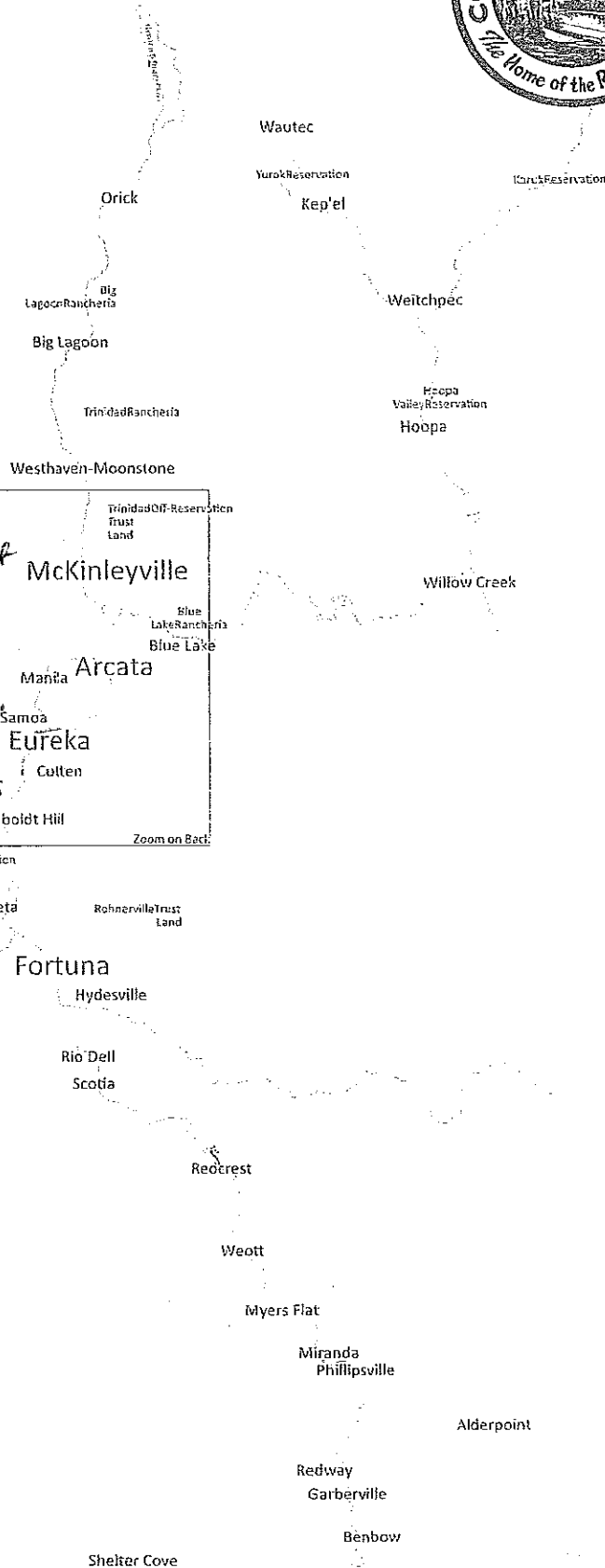


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Lumber Hills into 4th District

COMMUNITY TITLE
Wendy Medders

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Wendymedders@yahoo.com

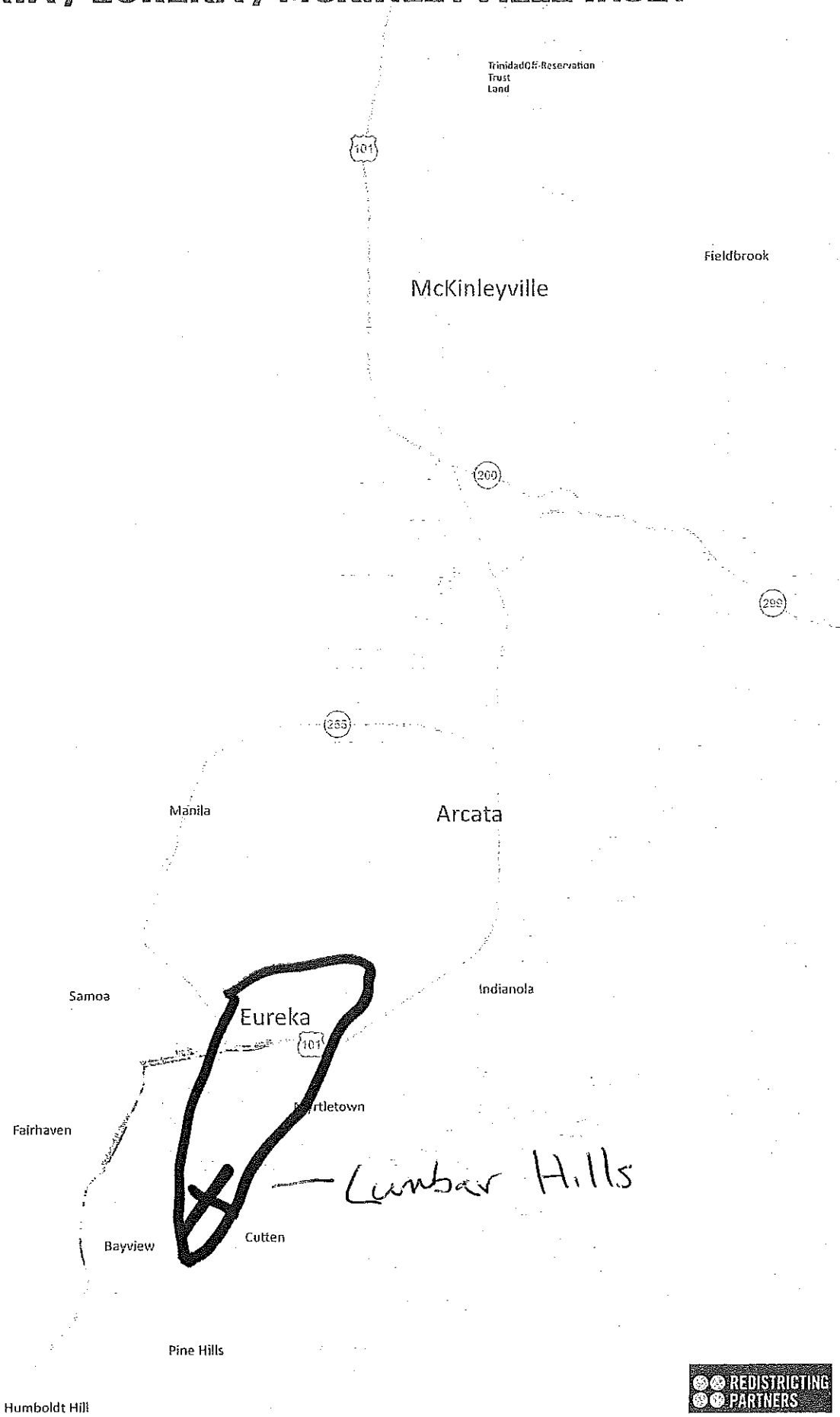
We believe that Lumber Hills has more of a community interest w/ the greater Eureka area than the rural area its now in. Home ownership being one of these interests.

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LUNDBAR HILLS AND EUREKA (DIST 4) SHARE COMMON INTERESTS IN THAT EUREKA PROVIDES ALL DAILY NEEDS SERVICES FOR LUNDBAR HILLS. THE RESIDENTS THERE (LUNDBAR HILLS) NEED A VOICE IN DIST. 4.

2. Explain the geographical location of your community of interest. What are the physical boundaries?

LUNDBAR HILLS COMMUNITY.

3. What is the rationale for your community of interest to be used in the Board of Supervisor redistricting process? Please describe how the issues before the Board of Supervisors has an impact on your community.

LUNDBAR HILLS IS CURRENTLY IN DIST 1, WITH DIST 1 BEING A MOSTLY RURAL COMMUNITY. THE TWO DO NOT ALIGN. LUNDBAR HILLS MORE ACCURATELY BELONGS IN DIST 4, WHERE THEIR VOICES NEED TO BE HEARD.

4. What else would you like to tell us about your community?

MOVE LUNDBAR HILLS TO DIST 4, PLEASE.

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LUNDBAR HILLS

COMMUNITY TITLE

CHRIS PRIOR

NAME

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EMAIL

LUNDBAR HILLS NEEDS TO
BE IN THE "EUREKA" DIST.
AS LUNDBAR IS SERVED
BY THE CITY OF EUREKA
AND NEEDS A VOICE IN EKA.

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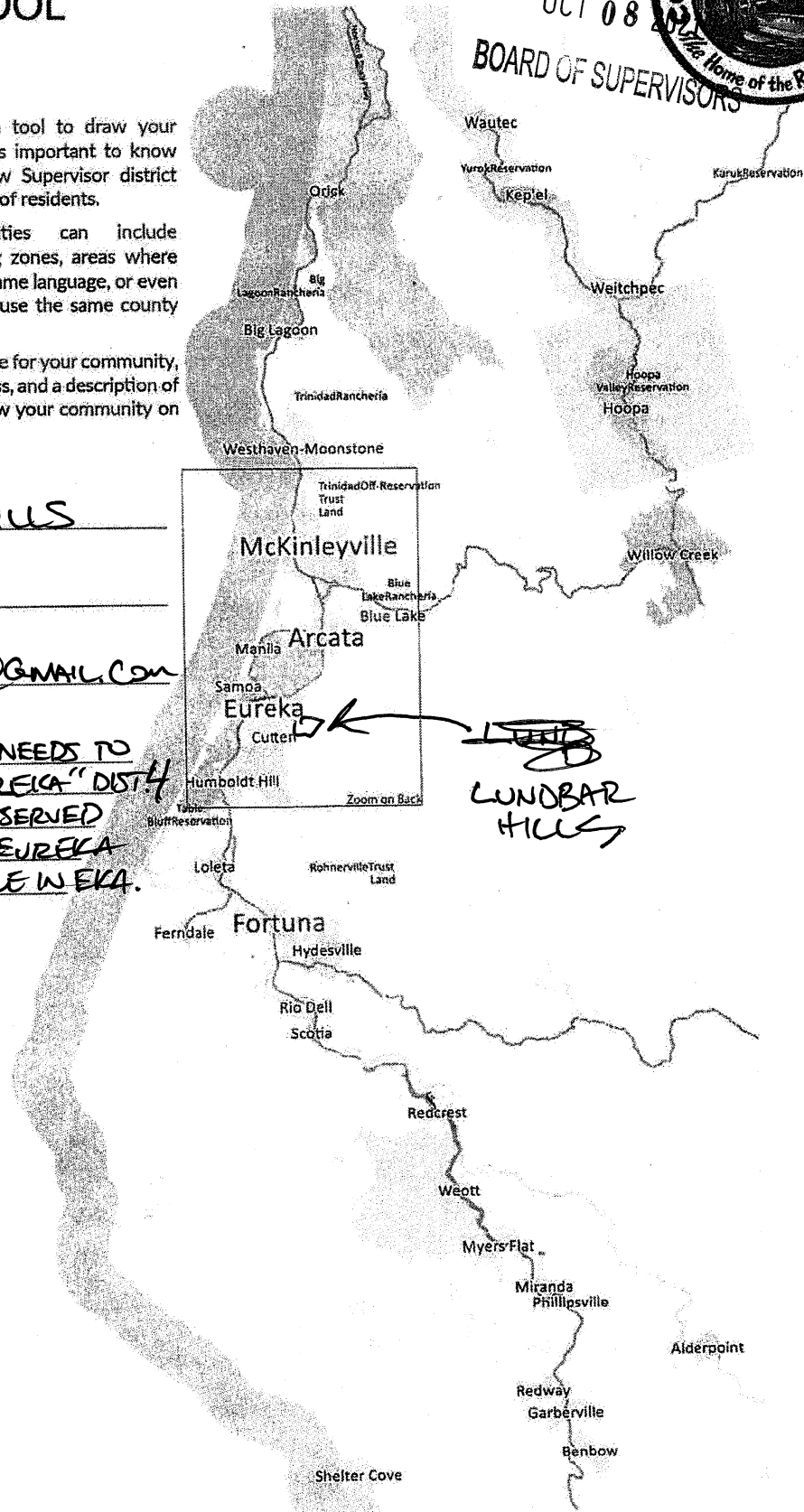
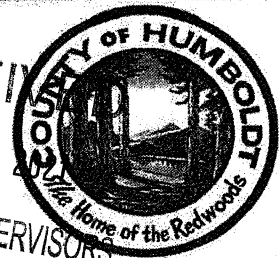
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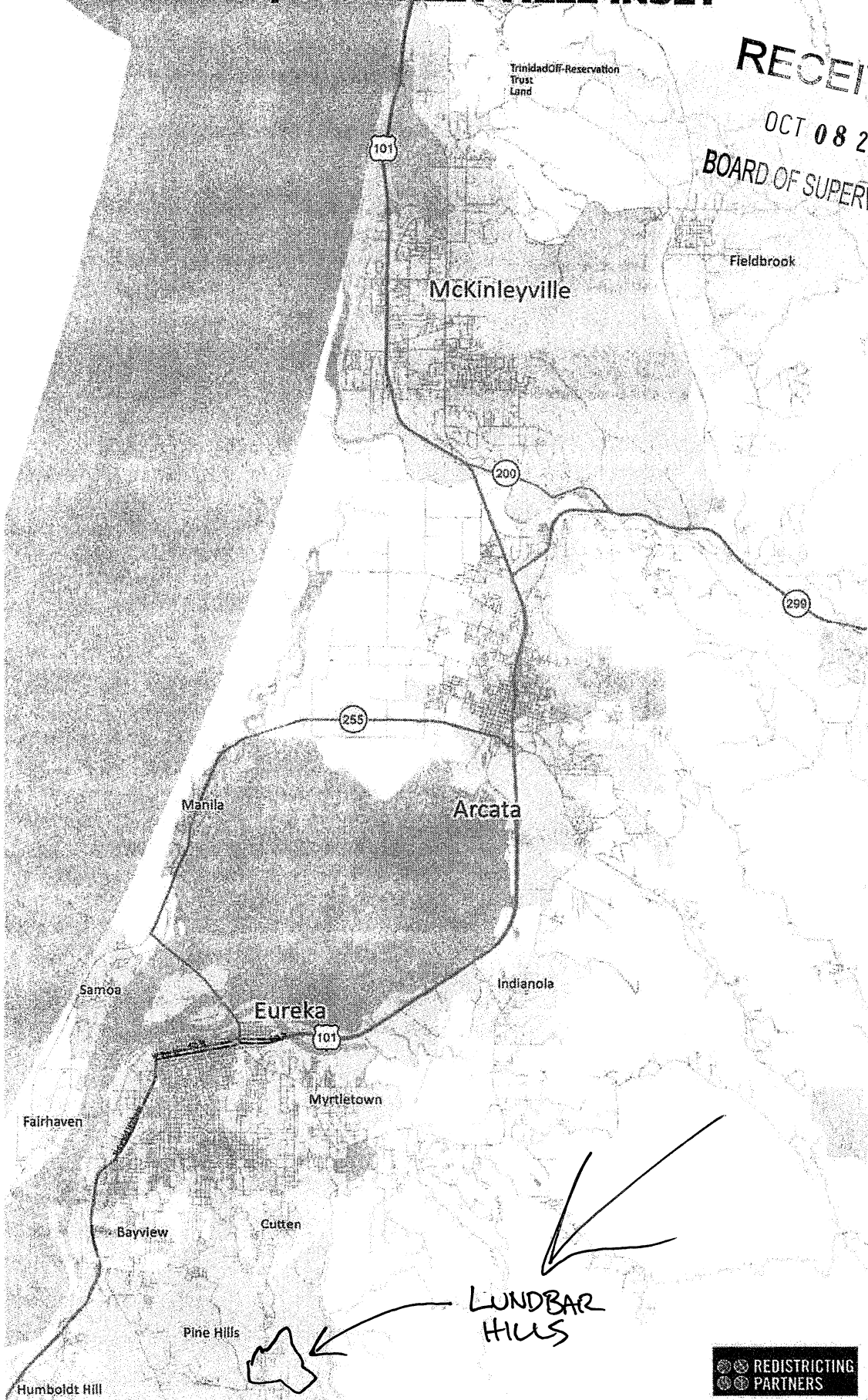


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LUNDBAR HILLS



Humboldt County COI worksheet response

As a resident of the City of Arcata, my current COI is the area within the city boundaries as well as the sphere of influence for the city, and I am in District 3 of Humboldt County. Boundaries are artificial and arbitrary. If we have to have the county divided into districts, we might be better served if supervisors were required to rotate and serve each district for a specified amount of time. After viewing the COI power point slides, from my perspective the examples of what constitutes a COI perpetuates systemic racism and socioeconomic classes [read "Freedom to Discriminate" by Gene Slater].

In 1992, I moved to Humboldt County and lived in the unincorporated area of Dow's Prairie, McKinleyville; in 2006 I moved to Arcata where I could have more voice/representation with the at-large city council, where I could walk to work at HSU and all the businesses/services that I need, walk to and through the marsh and community forest and agricultural lands in the bottom, walk to Arcata Playhouse for musical/theatrical performances, walk to the plaza [a true town center because it was included/built before the automobile]. We came together as a community to remove the statue of former president McKinley from the plaza out of respect for Native American peoples in our community. At the whole county level, we came together to create a sanctuary county. Issues of importance to me and many others are: inclusion, equity, diversity in all aspects, the responsibility to practice care and respect for our environment [built and natural] and all beings within it, the responsibility to practice democracy. The Board of Supervisors creates policies that affect all of the above issues. For example, mixed use zoning instead of separate single family, multiple family, commercial zoning, helps foster inclusion, job access equity [live close to work], diversity, and helps reduce greenhouse gas emissions driving drought, fires, flooding and sea level rise.

Of the three draft plans provided for comment, Plan C appears to be the least troublesome, although I need more in-depth study of the trade-offs.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Diane Ryerson
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