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To: Hailey Lang; Rachel Jereb
Subject: FW: Vacation Rental Regulations

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From: Haruyo Nishimura <ibuki.casa@gmail.com>
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To: Planning <planning@co.siskiyou.ca.us>
Subject: Vacation Rental Regulations

We have a vacation house in McCloud and heard of this proposal to unfairly charge vacation homeowners extra fee.

First of all, why aren't you proposing to charge all lodgings in the county, hotels, RV rentals, B&B etc. the same \$500 /year and \$20/night fee? You are clearly targeting vacation home owners unfairly. You are wrong thinking vacation rental is a reason of lacking affordable housing. We live in the Bay Area and see housing problems are prevalent everywhere. Vacation rentals have very little contributions to the problem. We understand moratorium would make a difference but feel imposing these ridiculously unfair fees onto existing vacation homeowners is way out of line.

We only operate vacation rental so that others who visit the town we love can enjoy there just like we do. Are you aware that McCloud doesn't have enough lodging in a busy season? We would NOT rent it long-term even if you took our use permit away since it means we can't use our house whenever we want to visit. Long-term renting would not allow us to enjoy our own home. Our renting the home as vacation rental is benefiting the county by TOT and other taxes that guests pay. The town and county are benefiting from VR guests dropping significant amount of money when they are there. If we keep the house sit there empty when we are not in town, the county wouldn't receive a penny, and that's going to happen when you target ordinary homeowners like us. We know other existing vacation home owners feeling the same. Regulating us existing homeowners unfairly is simply wrong when we are contributing so much to the county's economy. At least do the same to all other lodgings or exempt existing homeowners please.

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