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County of Mendocino
Department of Planning and Building Services
N860 North Bush Street
Ukiah, CA 95482

Mendocino County

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Planning & Building Services

Case#: U_2021-0001

Owner: Cindy Kung

Request: Major use Permit to operate a vacation home rental

APN: 123-232-03, 32125 Albion Ridge Road, Albion CA 95410

As owners of a home at 32001 Albion Ridge Road, we request that the application for a short term (vacation) rental **be denied** for multiple reasons.

The primary reason is for fire safety of our neighborhood.

This concern is that the out of the area vacationers will lack the knowledge for Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) fire safety activities. This puts all the neighborhood at risk of a wildfire.

Additionally, our area has only one means of egress in the event of a wildfire. Having individuals that are unaware of the evacuation plans will endanger the residents and the vacationers.

Beyond that is the traffic increase, danger to the wildlife, noise, and a change in our neighborhood environment.

These individuals are purchasing properties throughout our area with the comment that they will retire at each location. They are an LLC purchasing property as a business with no intention of becoming residents.

We need to protect our neighborhoods from acquisitions like this because one it limits housing for permanent people and neighborhoods will cease to exist.

What is so important for life safety is that neighbors know neighbors and have a plan for emergencies such as an earthquake or fire. Infusing non-locals into this only puts our neighborhoods at greater risk for loss of life and property.

There needs to be more affordable housing for our residents in this area. We would be accepting of affordable long-term rentals in our neighborhood, but not vacation/short term rentals.

We request a review of our comments. Thank you

Lawrence and Susan Deringer Eckerman
32001 Albion Ridge Road