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Dear Commissioners,

Planning & Building Services

I sent you earlier today my written comments that you received in time for the May 16, 2019 planning commission meeting about a previous version of this project. I was present at the meeting in Ukiah (not a virtual meeting) and do to the fact that the applicant requested a continuance to a date uncertain no one was able to comment on the project the day of the meeting. Not even individual commissioners were able to comment. See meeting item 6d (Manchester). <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h4rtOHAv3XI> The video from May 16, 2019 had 225 views, clearly many people were concerned about the various new wireless telecommunication facilities for Albion, Manchester, Potter Valley, Comptche, and Boonville. Do to the fact that the Planning Commission did not hear and receive all relevant oral testimony your Resolution is incorrect.

The Resolution mentions utilities will be extended to the site. How? By way of poles and cables in the scenic coastal area to the west of the first road parallel to the ocean? I do not think that we want to repeat what happened on Navarro Ridge Road in Albion where AT&T installed poles and cables in the scenic coastal zone.

Do to the fact that the appellant had no valid biological studies and other reasons the project got postponed. Now there are more recent studies, but in order to be valid they can not be older than 2 years old, which they are.

I agree with the 2-12-2021 & 4-22-2022 letters from Terra Fuller, DPR Sonoma-Mendocino Coast District. She addresses the Coastal Act-LCP Consistency Visual Resources, lists Policies 3.5-1, 3.5-3, and 3.5-4; as well as impacts to ESHA & Federal and State Endangered Species. Many animals and plants are attracted by marshes, dunes, saltwater marshes, freshwater seeps. In the vicinity we have Lake Davis, Brush Creek, the Garcia River with its black swans, another unnamed lake, and the Pacific Ocean. Ms. Fuller mentions the Ca. red-legged frog not mentioned in the Draft MND. Her comments and map listing the threatened and endangered species locations make way more sense than the Initial Study & Draft MND which basically makes it look like everything is just fine. Does AT&T have a right to ruin the largest continuous dune system along our coast, a State Park Natural Preserve? It does seem that this project is inconsistent with the Coastal Coastal Element of the County's General Plan and also would deter the visual quality of the natural landscape.

I read the Tower Avian Avoidance Plan and am dumbfounded to see what people do for money. Why not take this project away from the Pacific Flyway, the route for migratory birds instead of erecting spikes of stainless steel that might only prevent big raptors from using it as a perch. It makes me shudder and I can't help not to think of prison years surrounded by barbed wire, and concentration camps. I agree with Tim Bray's Mendocino Coast Audubon Society letter that this project would significantly impact birds and that the proposed mitigations measures can not be reduced to a less than significant level at this proposed location. He questions Measure AES-1, Measure BIO-3 and the Standard Condition 39.

As you will see in the attachment 49 signatures from local citizens with the goal to stop this project above Manchester State Beach were turned in that day. No planning commissioner or staff mentioned the petitions. They are included under public comment on the web page. I signed that petition as well and was never notified about the meeting on 5-19-2022.

I am interested to know if anyone attempted to contact these 49 people to let them know of the new application. If it is the Planning and Building Services Department's regulation to not notify people in a case like this, why is it not explained to attendees at these meetings that each person needs to let the County know if they want to be notified about future versions for that particular site.

How many people were notified that live within the site off the planned project and within what area? 300 ft? 1,000 ft.? Where and when was this meeting announced?

Staff was recommending denial of this project. See video from May 16, 2019 that had 225 views as not many people were able and willing to travel from their homes in the County to Ukiah. 7 projects were discussed, among them 5 new wireless telecommunication facilities for Albion, Manchester, Potter Valley, Comptche, and Boonville. See meeting item 6d (Manchester). <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h4rtOHA3XI>

I signed the petition that was signed by a total of 49 local citizens and submitted to the Planning Commission on 5-16-2019 with the goal to stop this project above Manchester State Beach. No planning commissioner or staff mentioned the petitions. They are included under public comments on the web page.

I am interested to know if anyone attempted to contact these 49 people to let them know of the new application. I was not notified. If it is the Planning and Building Services Department's regulation to not notify people in a case like this, why is it not explained to attendees at these meetings that each person needs to let the County know if they want to be notified about future versions for that particular site.

How many people were notified? Where and when was the 5-19-2022 meeting announced?

In the petition locals mentioned that the facility will be seen by locals & tourists who are visiting the amazing Point Arena Lighthouse with its Fresnel lens and can also spend the night in that environment (maybe during full moon). Truly a historic sight! The facility will also be seen from Irish Beach, and of course from Hwy 1, which the Draft MND and the photo simulations tend to downplay. Why were there no photo simulations taken from these sights or from the ocean, the Point Arena-Stornetta Ranch, our Ca. Coastal National Monument?

<https://www.blm.gov/programs/national-conservation-lands/california/california-coastal>

We are being shown what they want us to see.

Having a wireless communication facility next to 2 other facilities is not really providing that much extra service for underserved citizens. How many people would be served is not mentioned. We do not need First Net, our first responders do not need it. It might help some out of town responders, but it comes at a price. We will have 5G and the additional, stronger generator and the RRU's. Future additions make it clear where this facility is heading.

We depend on tourism to survive. There are many people who come here (eco-tourists) to get away from the hussle and bussle of city life, 5G, etc.

The issue was brought up that this new wireless telecommunications facility is located far away from the local school. What about the effect of sensitive receptors like children, pets, and adults camping at the local campground, the group campsite, the Day Use Area, and the KOA? What about the endangered and threatened species that are exposed 24/7 to this technology that has not been proven

safe? It can not be proven safe. It is not safe for people, plants and animals. It is families, tourists from all over the world that are attracted to the Northern California coast and drive on Hwy 1 that could become a scenic route. This is recreation land that should be used as such. I wonder why the Coastal Commission did not comment on that as this is truly a loss and they have a mandate to offer affordable ocean access to citizens.

The Mendocino County Code Section 20.196.020(c), requires the approving authority to find “That such use will not, under the circumstances of that particular case, constitute a nuisance or be detrimental to the health, safety, peace, morals, comfort or general welfare of persons residing or working in or passing through the neighborhood of such proposed use, or be detrimental or injurious to property and improvements in the neighborhood or to the general welfare of the county; provided, that if any proposed building or use is necessary for the public health, safety or general welfare, the finding shall be to that effect.”

Not many environmental impacts have a big effect, but the few that do make it look as an EIR would be the better environmental tool to address these as they can not be addressed with this MND.

Another option would simply be to deny this permit. I am in favor of this and ask you to join me. I read in the staff report that it would cost \$2,620 to appeal this project if approved. This must clearly be a typo.

Sincerely, Annemarie Weibel
5-18-2022

MAY 5 2008
Sign the petition to stop AT&T from building an 80' tall cell tower above Manchester State Beach
Planning & Building Services

We the residents and visitors of the Mendocino Coast petition the Mendocino County Planning Commission to deny the application by AT&T to build an 80' tall cell tower above Manchester State Beach.

We believe denying a Coastal Development Permit is imperative to preserving the valuable scenic corridor on this stretch of coast, protecting the endangered species that live in the area and maintaining our small town coastal aesthetic for future generations.

The proposed location right above Manchester State Beach will be visible from the Point Arena Lighthouse to Irish Beach and along multiple points of Highway 1. A cell tower, even disguised as a tree, would seriously detract from the natural scenery that draws thousands of tourists to this area every year.

Manchester State Beach is one of the longest undeveloped stretches of continuous sand beach on the Mendocino Coast, providing habitat for endangered species such as the migratory Snowy Plover and the Point Arena Mountain Beaver. This sensitive habitat is no place for a cell tower.

We are also concerned with the lack of evidence guaranteeing the safety of the cellular networks for both humans and animals.

We are very concerned that the lack of environmental review during this process will not hold AT&T accountable to the strict standards that govern development in the coastal zone. This unchecked development will have a lasting negative impact on our natural, social and economic environment for generations to come. We urge the commission to deny this application.

Why don't they put it on the East side of the Transmission lines? Where the poor people live.

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~~They are more than welcome to place them on my property
In Point Arena, I will get better service & get
\$\$ every month forever.~~

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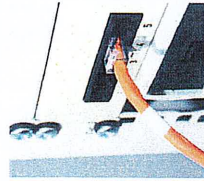
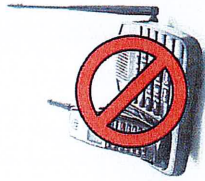
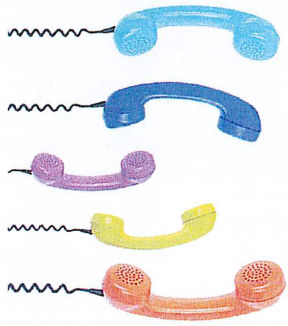
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Solutions

We recommend prudent avoidance of EMFs, which means being cautious, sensible, and reducing or avoiding EMFs when and where you can.

- Use a corded landline for your home and work place. *(remove cordless phones)*
- Use analog utility meters on your home. *(remove smart meters)*
- Use a wired router for internet connection for faster and safer service. *(avoid wi-fi)*
- Reduce cell phone use. Keep cell phones away from your body. Keep cell phones away from children. *(Best to use cell phones for emergencies only)*

- Learn more safety tips: www.emfsafetynetwork.org/safety-precautions/



Oppose 5G (fifth generation). Stop cell towers on every other block. Protect people, children and nature from increasing harmful cell tower radiation.

- Hundreds of international scientists and public health experts are demanding a moratorium on the deployment of 5G.
- No scientific evidence exists to support any claim of 5G safety.

How to oppose 5G: www.emfsafetynetwork.org/how-to-oppose-small-cell-5g-towers/

EMF Safety Network mission is to educate and empower people by providing science and solutions to reduce EMFs to improve lives, achieve public policy change, and obtain environmental justice.

Save Lives, Save Nature, Reduce EMFs



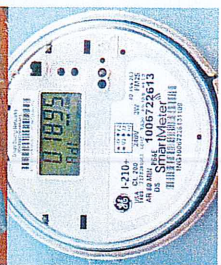
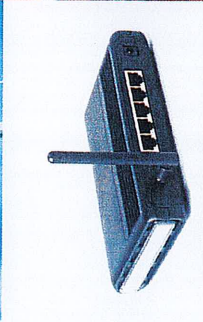
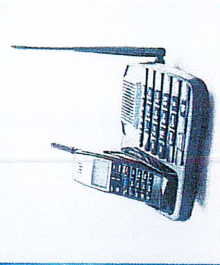
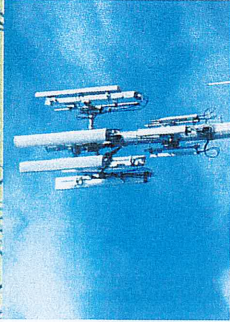
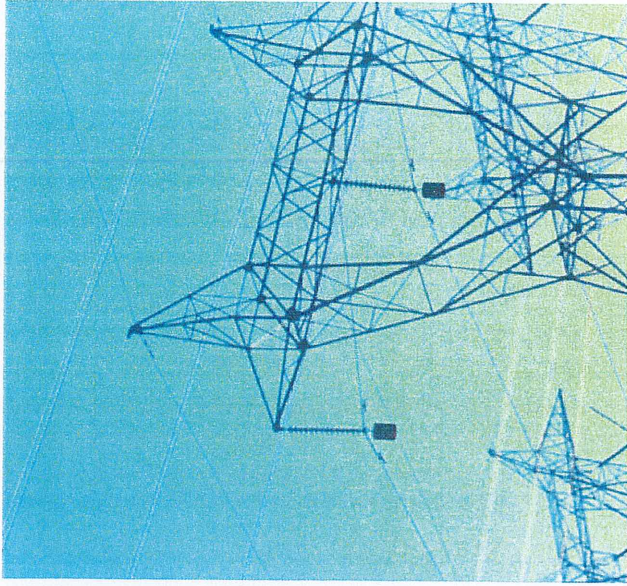
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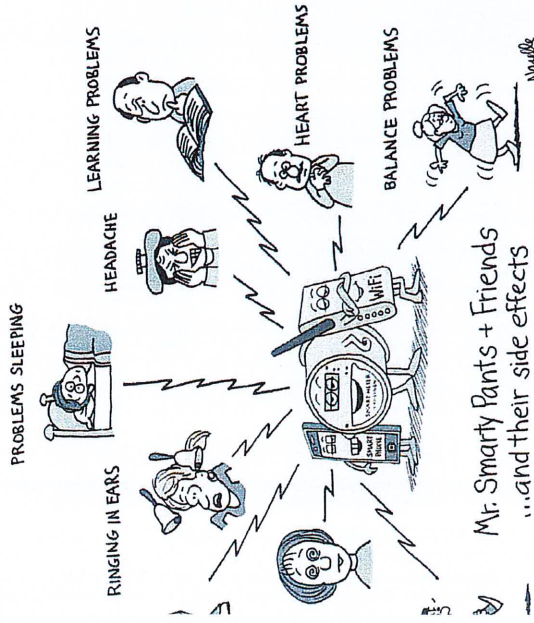
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What are EMFs?



are electromagnetic fields. They include electric and magnetic fields, and radiation emitted by cell towers, cell phones, smart meters, smart grid, wireless, power lines, fluorescent lights, wiring, appliances, cars, inverters and electronic devices.

are EMFs a problem?



an aches, fatigue, headaches, sleep problems, anxiety, ringing in the ears, heart problems, learning and memory disorders, and cancer risk and more. Children, and the elderly are more vulnerable.

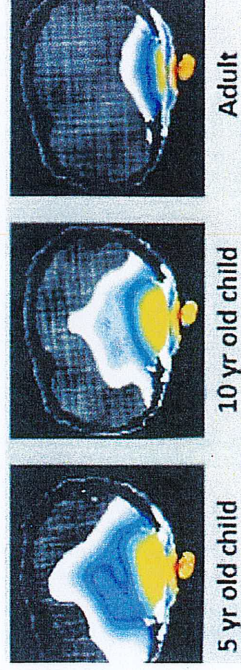
are now so common and widespread that they've become environmental pollution.



Studies show wireless radiation harms nature: birds, bees, and trees.

"Man-made electromagnetic fields impact all living organisms. We must reduce our dependence on wireless technologies."
Marie-Claire Cammaerts, PhD, Belgium

Studies show children's brains absorb more radiation than adults?



Brain scans of radiation absorption at different ages. Reprinted from O. Gandhi et al., IEEE Transactions on Microwave Theory & Techniques, 1996.

"The harmful effects of electromagnetic fields, regardless of their frequencies, are now scientifically settled. Pregnant women (the fetus) and children and adolescents are particularly vulnerable." Dominique Belpomme, MD, France

Aren't EMFs regulated by the government? Many common EMF devices sold today have not been proven safe for long term exposure. The FCC Communications Commission (FCC) safety guidelines are outdated. The FCC is promoting rapid expansion of high frequency (5G) cell towers in our communities. The FCC cannot be expected to protect public health or the environment.

Learn about the science: The International Agency for Research on Cancer at the World Health Organization classifies EMFs as possible carcinogens. <https://goo.gl/9DQCC6M>

The National Toxicology Program has clear evidence of cancer in rats from exposure to cell phone frequencies. <https://goo.gl/jgh5kt>

The BioInitiative Reports reference more than 3,800 peer-reviewed published studies. The authors conclude that EMFs jeopardize global health and recommend stringent biologically-based standards and exposure limits. www.bioinitiative.org

Independent scientists who have published peer-reviewed studies on EMFs signed the International Scientists Appeal, calling for greater public and environmental protections from EMF exposure. www.emfscientist.org

