



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 3/10/2026

File #: 26-177

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Supervisor Mike Wilson

Agenda Section: Consent

Vote Requirement: Majority

SUBJECT:

Letter of Support for Acquisition of Eel Rock Ranch by The Wildlands Conservancy

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Authorize the Chair to sign the Letter of Support; and
2. Direct the Clerk of the Board to email the executed letter to Emily Afriat at emily.a@wildlandconservancy.org
<<mailto:emily.a@wildlandconservancy.org>>

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This action supports the following areas of your Board's Strategic Plan.

Area of Focus: Core Services/Other

Strategic Plan Category: 9999 - Core Services/Other

DISCUSSION:

The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors supports The Wildlands Conservancy's acquisition of Eel Rock Ranch, a 1,350-acre property along the Wild and Scenic Eel River, near Myers Flat in Humboldt County.

The project advances the county's priorities of conservation, climate resilience, sustainable recreation and economic vitality. The acquisition would protect critical riparian and anadromous fish habitat, safeguard culturally significant sites for the Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria, the Round Valley Indian Tribes and Wailaki communities, and provide managed public access, including potential integration with the planned Great Redwood Trail.

Approval of the attached letter affirms the Board's support for this important conservation effort and associated funding opportunities.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

General Fund

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

STAFFING IMPACT:

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None

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Board discretion.

ATTACHMENTS:

Letter of Support

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Meeting of: N/A

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