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Humboldt County Supervisors  
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Subject: CAP 1135 New Start for Redwood Creek Estuary

Board of Supervisors:

Our family owns the land adjacent to the South Slough of Redwood Creek. The land is a working ranch, cattle have been raised here generation after generation from Conrad Zuber to Albert Zuber to Lawrence Zuber, to Marla Zuber-Mora and with great hope in the future to Levi and Trey Mora. Our family intends to keep it a working ranch and to continue making a living supplying quality beef to your local co-ops, stores and to national chains.

As part of keeping this working ranch in the family and to continue feeding people we need to protect our property. We have been sitting in on levee meetings for 20+ years, the last four years of being part of the Stakeholder Group and discussing the estuary changes our family feels we need to start the process to getting something done. The South Slough has had a dramatic change in the last year for the worst. With no maintenance, no one following through on opening and closing the flow gates, the South Slough has completely closed on both ends causing no fish access to allow protection from the main channel, along with water backing up to highway 101 and continues to put more usable land under water on both sides of Redwood Creek.

It is our hope that you can help us with your vote to get the process started with the CAP 1135 New Start application to find a solution that everyone involved is pleased with that will benefit land owners on both sides, the fisheries, and government agencies involved, but to do this we need to get the process rolling to look for viable projects that can be agreed upon.

Thank you for taking the time at your meeting to consider our situation.

Sincerely,

The Zuber Family

