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**To:** COB  
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Hello,

I was not able to attend the meeting this morning but I would like to provide a short comment on the agenda item H2, " Consider Revisions to Fees and Fines for Illegal Dumping and Abandoned Vehicles (Supervisor Rex Bohn)."

As a lifelong resident and surfer in Humboldt County, I have seen an immense increase in the amount of illegal dumping and abandoned vehicles on the Samoa Peninsula. Not only is this an eye sore, it is a hazard to beachgoers and the environment.

The Samoa Peninsula is used by surfers, birders, fishermen, and families on a daily basis. Seeing the dumping and vehicles makes people nervous about their car getting broken into, stepping on hazardous materials, and it takes away from enjoying the beauty of the beach. Just the other day there was an old trailer left at the north jetty parking lot.

Groups like Surfrider, PacOut Green Team, and the Peninsula Community Collaborative are desperately trying to clean up this mess and solve the problem but we have limited resources.

We would be happy to work with the county to come up with a solution that benefits everyone. This problem tends to get worse during the summer and we would like to have a plan in motion before then.

Please reach out if you would like to discuss this with us further.

Thank you for having this discussion.

Best,  
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