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Date: 10/26/15 To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors and others Subject: Real World Realities

With two holes in my head and fifty plus years as a working, family, taxpaying, field forester experience behind me, I see proof is in the pudding, and I have concluded rural folks in rural areas like Humboldt County are controlled by a voting minority.

Like me, most rural working, taxpaying, family folks are too busy living their lives taking care of their family needs to follow and vote regarding all the liberal and conservative ideas being thrown around. If you do simple math (50-50 split, all the special interests, and amount who actually vote), this leave a minority influenced by ideas supported by urban unaccountable, inexperienced populations which out-number rural populations, in the media, those with money, and regulatory folks which make-up what I call the Fourth Branch of Government.

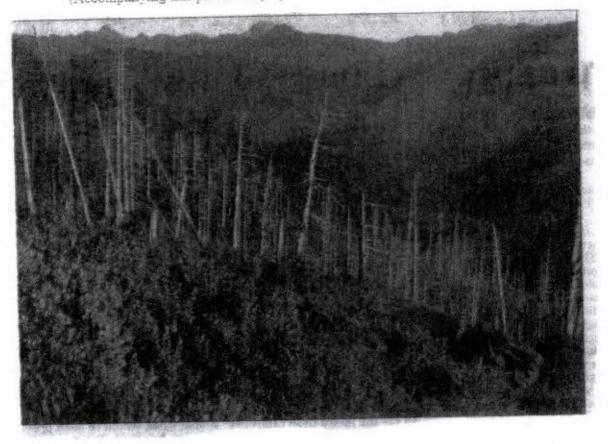
I worked my self into a lead position as a working, taxpaying, family person. Learning and telling real world truths about full and proper truths about full and proper use of natural resources like timber lands, which is routinely ignored, got me fire. I wrote a couple books which are full of my life's experiences, and I see many politicians not taking the time to understand how theory, speculation, protectionism, misapplied leagalism, and political process, is destroying rural communities in this country (regarding uncontrolled fire, helping "ALL" species, reducing diversity, providing needed water, and rural economies).

I get a lot of snickers and looking the other way when I repeatedly say what I say, but my life's experiences in the rural world have lead to my saying REST IN PEACE RURAL AMERICA.

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# Is this the world you want ? Provided is a portion of photo printed on front page of Times Standard Eureka Newspaper dated 8/21/14

As stated in newspaper photo is courtesy of Justin Rohde (Accompanying this photo is my opinion and thoughts about what I see)



Date: 9/22/15 To: Humboldt County Board of Supervisors and others Subject: Real World Realities

AM I WASTING MY TIME GIVING PUBLIC INPUT? AS IS BEING REALIZED IN THE MARIJUANA ISSSUE, I CAN SEE A BUNCH OF LAWS ARE BEING PUT IN PLACE WHICH ARE CAUSING ALL KINDS OF PROBLEMS. A NEW LAW HERE AND A NEW LAW THERE. Seeing a lot of smiles, smirkes and puzzled looks when I repeatedly say in my little corner of the world I believe a voting minority controls innocents using short sound-bites, provided by media politicians, legalese, based on seventy year plus life in the rural community, fifty plus year life as a field experienced forester who knows theory, speculation, and protectionism can never replace real world truths, living a life as a taxpaying, family, low to middle income member of the rural community, a lot of innocents are getting caught not knowing they are in violation of some law at some time in some way and in some place when the punishment does not fit the damage done

to humans when laws are in place by inexperienced and unaccountable media, political processes legalese, theory and speculation, and protectionism and by those with money and power Using an extreme thought to prove a point, I see the Ten Commandments changed to no longer apply to only humans and now being applied to critters and to environmental situations.

### Real world examples are as follows.

1. A friend can legally shoot a quail and if the quail is not cleaned according to the some law, the person in possession of the quail for a Christmas dinner can be pinched by an inexperienced regulator and charged with a misdemeanor, be subject to \$1,000 and 6 months in jail, face an inexperienced and unaccountable judge, lose driver's license, face the cost of a trial by inexperienced judge or jury when enforcement person, judge, and DA will not take the time to learn the truth.

2. A logger can be given 8 month probation by an inexperienced and unaccountable judge as later determined to be a violation at a later time by another CDF inspector and violation of probation can lead to losing LTO license and livihood for him and his crew for a waterbar put-in as instructed by a CDF inspector which didn't do any significant damage.

3. A grandfather can be given a DFG misdemeanor violation subject to all the previously listed misdemeaneor punishment if he helps a grandson land a fish when the grandson doesn't need a fishing license but grandfather does not have a required punch card.

The stories go on and on about laws inexperienced regulators and all the multiple laws made which are applied by inexperienced and unaccountable well-meaning enforcement folks. This is why experienced logic and common sense needs to be learned over time and why I make enforcers of our many laws prove-up. Putting a law in placed without expectation of Peace Officer discretion requires use of experience and understanding of significance, logic and common sense about what 4

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has happened. Without experience and common sense a regulatory bunch (I call the Fourth Branch of Government) inappropriately allows the enforcing person be judge and jury over something enforcing person is not qualified to determine. Forgotten and routinely ignored are the working, taxpaying, family, producing folks in the low to low middle income group.

I suggest what I say deserves more serious consideration than smiles, laughter, and puzzled looks, and as I have done, regarding many laws put on the books, those applying laws need to learn when infraction, misdemeanor, penalties are to be applied. If you are honest, I think you will be surprised!!!.

I am forced to believe my dad was right when he said revolution was coming. A lot of hurt is coming for many species and humans regarding uncontrolled fire, diversity and habitats, need for water, and economic realities directly in rural areas and indirectly in urban areas.

More laws, while ignoring what has been outlined is not going to stop an ignored Atlas as outlined from shrugging

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I provide the accompanying thoughts from my seventy plus years of life.

You can agree or disagree, but I think thoughts from my little corner of the world covering the world, USA, and especially California are worth passing on to help to make USA great again

First of attached "Embracing the Inevitable" tells how things look to me and others who have lived in the real world.

Living in Rural America and as a field forester for around fifty years, I have written two books which support the other following thoughts.

I started out my life accepting speculation, theory, and protectionism. To keep a job and support a family, I went along with the conservative line, but learned to fight for truths with media, legal processes, politicians, those with money and power, legal processes, and inexperienced and unaccountable regulators (not all bad folks I put into a group I call the Fourth Branch of Government).

I have seen and learned how voting minorities control the lives of working, family, low to low middle income, taxpaying folks. As with me, working folks are missed by polls, are busy living their lives without time to get involved, and are ignored. This voting group controls many things, and I have taken the approach proof is in the pudding and the pudding has a bad taste.

In my little corner of the world, full and proper us of resources, I learned there is no substitute for real world experience. Knowledge of fallers, equipment operators, timber owners, field foresters, farmers, cattlemen, and many others was priceless. No matter how you have been brainwashed, real world truths get in the way. We need more dams, better use of our natural resources while providing better control of fire (roads are in the right place and created diversity and habitats for many species are a good thing), better rural economies (which make up the largest portion of the USA), and USA is a better world leader in many ways. Simply put "sunlight, water and nutrients determine how things grow and live" As learned by cattlemen in making steers, neutering lions and bears to handle problems where these animals cause problems for humans versus written laws that jail humans.

I look at the world messes (environment, Middle East, immigration, trade imbalances, taxes, and on and on) and living life in a business world where you have surrounded yourself with experienced people in order to solve problems (not in a world based on compromise of some good and bad and getting a poor result) I understand where Trump is coming from. Along the way, I learned when diplomacy failed those with the biggest stick behind them (had real world truths behind them) got better results.

No matter how bad they have been, the main concern should be for significant (not insignificant) impacts to human life. Misdemeanor, large fines, loosing driver's license, and jail time should not be so loosely and easily applied (DFG laws, water curse problems, wrongly cutting a tree, on and on) when human impacts are insignificant.

On the religious side, I simply say "It is a matter of faith that an almighty created all there is and will ever be, and there is no proof that an almighty did not create all there is and will ever be."

Maybe my life is an exception, but kind of like Paul Harvey would say "That is the way I see it"

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### **EMBRACING THE INEVITABLE**

If you actively participate in life, You eventually learn what the picture of the single lone old person On top of a mountain represents.

From the top of the mountain, You can look back and see as a younger person All the stupid, naïve, good, smart things you have done.

You can look down at younger people Who still have to compromise principles and beliefs to overcome life's hurdles Involving family needs, not making the boss mad to avoid losing a job, Not rubbing your neighbor the wrong way, and not speaking-out about wrongs.

If you have reached a place where you depend on no one for a paycheck, The quest for a million bucks is gone, and you have gathered a life's experiences, You feel relief, get personal satisfaction, and find it a blessing To be able to independently speak out about what you have learned;

## While you sit alone

(Waiting for what is to come) (As Robert Duvall in Broken Trails says, Between Two Eternities)

No one may make the effort to climb the mountain And

No one may listen to hear you tell what you have learned

But

Maybe, Just Maybe you will help soften and/or delay crash many say is coming And

Maybe something you have said will help fix things if a crash does occur

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