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To: [Planning Clerk](#)
Subject: Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Salmonid ,Restoration Federation's Marshall Ranch Streamflow Enhancement Project PLN-2019-15661, ,SCH # 2019109088
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Please see my attached testimony concerning the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Salmonid Restoration Federation's Marshall Ranch Streamflow Enhancement Project PLN-2019-15661, SCH # 2019109088

Thank you,

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To: The Humboldt County Planning Director, Planning Staff,
and Planning Commissioners

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Re:

I am writing to encourage you to approve the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Salmonid Restoration Federation's Marshall Ranch Streamflow Enhancement Project PLN-2019-15661, SCH # 2019109088.

Writer's qualifications:

I'm a geologist with a master's degree from the University of California at Berkeley. As co-director of the Eel River Salmon Restoration project I have 30 years-experience carrying out salmonid habitat improvement projects, erosion control, slide stabilization, fish monitoring, watershed planning, and salmon rearing. The majority of our projects have been in the Redwood Creek Watershed. Recently I've done five years of low water stream flow monitoring for the present SRF Redwood Creek Project. I live in the watershed.

Statement:

Over the last year my original criticisms of this project in my testimony letter to you on 12/7/2020 have been eliminated. The project planners have reconfigured the project to eliminate neighbor's safety concerns by developing plans for a total of four smaller augmentation ponds, none of which threaten the safety of neighboring homes. Two of these ponds would be upstream of the Marshal Ranch component of the project in the headwaters of Redwood Creek, where they would supply increased summer flow to critical spawning and rearing salmonid habitat. Overall this is a very good project that will supply much needed summer flows for salmonid rearing. This project will help eliminate the sad sight of many fish laden pools drying up in the summer.

Sincerely,

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