

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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RESOLUTION NO. 26 – 103

**RESOLUTION OF THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZING
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE DESIGNATION OF QUALIFIED OPPORTUNITY ZONES IN
HUMBOLDT COUNTY AND AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION TO THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S
OFFICE OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

WHEREAS, the federal Opportunity Zone Program is an economic development tool intended to encourage private investment, economic growth and job creation in economically distressed communities through preferential federal tax treatment for qualifying investments; and

WHEREAS, federal legislation enacted in 2025 made the Opportunity Zone Program permanent and established a recurring process for the designation of new Qualified Opportunity Zones, with the next round of designations taking effect January 1, 2027; and

WHEREAS, the California Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development, also known as GO-Biz, has requested that eligible local jurisdictions recommend qualifying census tracts for consideration by the Governor as part of the Opportunity Zones 2.0 designation process; and

WHEREAS, the County of Humboldt contains eligible census tracts that experience economic distress, limited access to private investment, infrastructure needs and other barriers to economic development; and

WHEREAS, designation of qualifying census tracts as Opportunity Zones may assist Humboldt County in attracting private investment to support housing, commercial and industrial development, infrastructure improvements, business expansion, job creation and other community and economic development activities; and

WHEREAS, Opportunity Zone designation does not approve any specific development project, modify existing land-use regulations or eliminate any applicable local, state or federal permitting or environmental review requirements; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors hereby recommends the following census tracts for designation as Qualified Opportunity Zones and authorizes their submission to the California Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development:
 - a. Census Tract 06023010102 – Willow Creek
 - b. Census Tract 06023010200 – Orick/Trinidad area

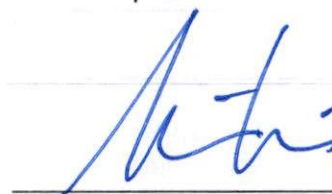
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- c. Census Tract 06023010503 – McKinleyville
- d. Census Tract 06023000800 – Myrtle town/Indianola area
- e. Census Tract 06023011600 – Garberville area

Each of these tracts appears on the official qualified opportunity zones eligible tract list by the U.S. Treasury. Each of these tracts is located in unincorporated Humboldt County and contains significant development opportunities that could benefit from participation in the Go-BIZ program to attract private investment during the next 10-year designation period.

2. The Board of Supervisors recognizes and supports the participation of incorporated cities within Humboldt County in the Opportunity Zones 2.0 recommendation process, including the submission of recommendations for eligible census tracts located within their respective jurisdictions.
3. The County Administrative Officer, Economic Development Director, or their designee is authorized to prepare, execute and submit the required recommendation forms, including the Local Authority Recommendation Form, as well as supporting materials and certifications to GO-Biz on behalf of the County.
4. The County Administrative Officer, Economic Development Director, or their designee is further authorized to provide supplemental information requested by GO-Biz and make minor, technical or nonsubstantive revisions necessary to complete the submission, provided that such revisions do not add or remove a census tract without further authorization from the Board of Supervisors.
5. Adoption of this resolution and submission of the recommendations do not obligate the County to provide funding, financial assistance, infrastructure improvements or other support for any investment or development proposed within a designated Opportunity Zone.
6. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Dated: 7/14/26



Supervisor Mike Wilson, Chair
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

Adopted on motion by Supervisor Arroyo, Seconded by Supervisor Madrone, and the following vote:

AYES:	Supervisors: -- Arroyo, Bohn, Bushnell, Madrone, and Wilson
NAYES:	Supervisors: -- None
ABSENT:	Supervisors: -- None
ABSTAIN:	Supervisors: -- None

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
County of Humboldt

I, Tracy Damico, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Humboldt, State of California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true, and correct copy of the original made in the above-entitled matter by said Board of Supervisors at a meeting held in Eureka, California as the same now appears of record in my Office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Board of Supervisors.



Kaleigh Maffei
Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the
County of Humboldt, State of California