## ATTACHMENT L Response to Weltsch Settlement Offer



## COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

## PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT CODE ENFORCEMENT

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Werner Weltsch, Jonathan Weltsch, & Sarah Weltsch 6451 Elk River Road Eureka, CA 95503

RE: 6000 block Elk River Road, Eureka, CA, 95503, APN: 304-211-011

Code Enforcement Case Number: 14CEU-51

Dear Werner Weltsch, Jonathan Weltsch, and Sarah Weltsch,

As you are aware, Code Enforcement has an open case against your property located in the 6000 block of Elk River Road, Eureka, California, APN: 304-211-011, Code Enforcement Case # 14CEU-51.

On or around October 24, 2019, Code Enforcement mailed you a formal letter informing you that after an inspection conducted on August 21, 2019, it was determined that the property was not in compliance with the executed Compliance Agreement you entered into with the County on February 14, 2019, in settlement of the previously issued Finding of Nuisance and Order of Abatement and Finding of Violations and Order Imposing Administrative Civil Penalty, see attached formal letter of Effect of Noncompliance with Compliance Agreement.

The formal letter also informed you that due to the noncompliance of the Compliance Agreement, the Administrative Civil Penalty in the amount of \$33,250 was due immediately.

As of December 2, 2020, no payment was received for the Administrative Civil Penalty. Code Enforcement did not receive any response to this formal letter.

Subsequently, a Notice of Administrative Civil Penalty Assessment was served on or about December 4, 2020 via U.S. mail and posting on your property.

On December 11, 2020 and December 14, 2020, Code Enforcement received your requests for an Administrative Civil Penalty Assessment Appeal Hearing, which the hearing date is still pending.

On February 8, 2021, Code Enforcement received a handwritten letter signed by Werner Weltsch with a proposed settlement, which Code Enforcement respectfully declines. In Mr. Weltsch's

letter, it also mentions a matter possibly involving the Humboldt County Department of Public Works. Issues regarding that matter would need to be directed to that department and not Code Enforcement.

Once a date has been set for the Administrative Civil Penalty Assessment Appeal Hearing and pursuant to Humboldt County Code section 352-18, you will be served with a Notice of Administrative Civil Penalty Assessment Appeal Hearing informing you of the details of the hearing.

In order to document the most current property conditions and to confirm the cleanup effort that was described in your Administrative Civil Penalty Assessment Appeal Hearing Forms, I am requesting consent to conduct an inspection of the property prior to the Administrative Civil Penalty Assessment Appeal Hearing.

Please contact me by telephone at (707) 441-2627 or by email <a href="mailto:ssoeth@co.humboldt.ca.us">ssoeth@co.humboldt.ca.us</a> to schedule a date and time for the inspection. If I do not hear back regarding the consent inspection by March 15, 2021, I will assume my request for a consent inspection was denied.

Sincerely,

Shauna Soeth

Code Enforcement Investigator

Attachment: Formal Letter of Effect of Noncompliance with Compliance Agreement, dated October 24, 2019.

CC: Kenneth Bareilles, counsel for Werner Weltsch, Jonathan Weltsch, and Sarah Weltsch 533 E Street Eureka, CA 95501