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YOU SEE THE FOREST - WE SEE THE TREES

Humboldt County Board of Supervisors 825 5th St. Eureka, CA 95501

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am the owner of two natural resource businesses based in Humboldt County.

My first business is called Forestscapes, and we are a small crew of former wildland fire-figters that specialize in fuels reduction activities such as small tree and brush removal, hazard tree removal, pile burning and wood chipping. We have worked for agencies such as the NRCS, Department of Fish and Wildlife, Redwood National Park, California State Parks and we are currently working on two contracts with the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council. We are a group of highly motivated fallers, burners and forestry workers that would love to see a large scale project such as the Cal Forest WRX. Since we have started, we have been networking with all fuels reduction agencies, businesses and nonprofits in order to grow our business. We have also been consulting with forest engineers on large scale biomass removal operations that are not your traditional practices.

My other business is called Humbots Data & Analysis. We are a team of current and former Humboldt State graduates that are using drones for natural resource data collection. We mainly use photogrammetry to provide clients with forest metrics, such as tree heights, DBH, volumes, and digital elevation models (digital surface models, digital terrain models & canopy height models. We have worked for the United States Forest Service, College of the Redwoods, and Humboldt State. This team is highly motivated as well and would love to see how it can assist in the data collection and monitoring of these projects.



The CalForest WRX alliance is an extremely amazing idea that needs to be pushed through immediately to bring relief to our overstocked forest, and our depleted watersheds.

Forestscapes and Humbots are extremely excited and motivated to bring this enormous benefit to our local community!

Sincerely,

Joe Snipes х Date: