From: <u>Jeff Powers</u>
To: <u>Planning Clerk</u>

**Subject:** Re: Barr CDP Amendment

**Date:** Thursday, August 18, 2022 5:55:44 PM

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I neglected to include tonight's Humboldt County Planning Commission Agenda, August 18, 2022, for my previous email (which is included below). The Agenda Item I was commenting on was:

## H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Friends of the Dunes Trail and Habitat Restoration; Amendment to Permit Record Number PLN-9175-CDP (filed 04/28/2015) Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APN) 400-011-075, 506-111-004, 506-111-021, 506-111-024, 506-111-025

Thank you and please let me know if my comments have been received and included in the Planning Commission minutes for this item. Thank you.

## On Thu, Aug 18, 2022 at 5:50 PM Jeff Powers < jeffreygpowers@gmail.com > wrote:

To Humboldt County Planning Commission:

From: Jeff Powers, 2311 Briarwood Circle, Eureka, CA 95503

This is regarding the Planning Commission's hearing tonight, August 18, 2022, regarding the Friends of the Dunes (FOD) Barr CDP Amendment. I have relocated to Eureka this past year and have gotten to know FOD's excellent work during that time.

I have over 30 years of experience as a land management professional with 20 years of work on the Central Coast of California. During that time I was responsible for similar coastal dune restoration projects and given my background and the proposed FOD restoration plan I enthusiastically support the Barr CDP Amendment as proposed. Specifically, hand-pulling of invasive ice plant and bush lupine will have virtually no unwanted impacts and actually provides huge benefits to the suite of native flora and fauna at the dunes.

The Friends of the Dunes' updated Restoration Plan is a very well-researched and organized guiding document for conducting restoration activities on their property for years to come. It contains exceedingly reasonable impact avoidance measures to protect wetlands, sensitive plant species, and cultural resources, while setting substantial goals for habitat restoration.

In addition, the Mitigated Neg Dec for the Trail and Habitat Restoration Project conducts a thorough impact analysis of the very limited development proposed for the Barr Parcel. I strongly urge the Planning Commission to adopt its findings and issue a Coastal Development Permit amendment consistent with this CEQA document.

Thank you for your consideration.