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To: Weaver, Amber
Subject: FW: Please help Fort Bragg stop the Skunk Train

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Subject: Please help Fort Bragg stop the Skunk Train

Dear CCC Staff,
I am a concerned citizen living in Mendocino County near the town of Fort Bragg, CA. Please do everything in your power to stop the Skunk Train from taking ownership of the old millsite and adjacent lands it has falsely claimed through eminent domain. They are not a real railroad and the courts have shown this, yet the Skunk Train persists spending countless money to defend their illegal claim on the land, and we can't tell if they will ever run out of money. The legal costs will become too high for our local area to stop them and we need the support of the State of California to stop this illegal land takeover by the Skunk Train corporation. Please marshal your resources in Sacramento to ensure that the crooks at the Skunk Train do not succeed in their goal, but that rather the people of California will prevail and finally have full access to the coast of a coastal city.

The State of California could support, and I urge you to fully support, the plans laid forth jointly by the City of Fort Bragg and the Sherwood Valley Band of Pomo Indians to establish housing and open space on the land currently being illegally claimed by the Skunk Train corporation. The joint plan was well thought-out and was the will of the people. Only the State of California has the resources to ensure the Skunk Train is stopped and the original plan can prevail, and you, the CCC, are the key State Agency to make the right thing happen in this situation.

Please help us, so this scam railroad is not able to set a dangerous precedent in California and so that this town can improve housing without having a new corporate landlord steal the land and pay nothing for it, then build housing for us and rent it back to us at exorbitant rates. This land has already been stolen too many times. It's time for it to be returned to the will of local Tribal people and non-Tribal residents, NOT be controlled by a corporation that has only shown it's proclivity to shirk laws protecting public safety and the environment, and those that govern when eminent domain can actually be enacted- all fueled by the owner's greed.

Thank you,
Andy Wellspring