Re: item 84 - 3/28/201
Willits, Mendocino County
By-Pass - Reynolds Highway
Hearst Rd.

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Dear Chair and
Commissioners,

California Transportation
Commission,
1120 N. St. Rm. 2221,
Sacramento, CA.

My name is Randall Dalton.
I am 65, born and raised here
in California all my life. My 6
children/8 grandchildren are Pomo/
Cahto/Wailaki in spirit and
bloodline, through marriage. My
grandfather was a bridge engineer,
road-construction lifetime worke
& helped to build Hetch-Hetchy Dam
the levees, Golden Gate Bridge, Oak-
land Bay, and Carquinez Straight
Bridges. He was a major in the
army and was run-over + killed
by a 10-Ton water-truck while
supervising 6-lane freeway construct
ion in Antioch, CA

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2/ I received a 10.0% / 1600 SAT Score from Galileo High School, in 1964. My husband Dwayne Dalton, a 4yr. Navy veteran, graduated in 1978 from U.C. Berkeley in CNR — Conservation of Natural Resources. We've been small-scale farmers, (23 acre-walnut farm-Alamo-72-7x (1/3 acre-Laytonville, CA. / 10 acre Brenscomb 1977 to present — organic fruit trees and miscellaneous raspberry, flowers, etc.). Dwayne died last year. I came today in hopes of speaking on behalf of the salmon/rainbow-trout, chinook, coho, and native grasses, beauty, agricultural lands, wetlands, irreplaceable beauty, legacy of Mother Earth. Heritage is what we have to share with our children. Northern California, highway 101, "scenic corridor" is the remnant / last remaining 2-lanes of El Camino Real — the 1st roads of 1000's of years use by indiginous peoples. The Calif. native flora and fauna are rare.

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3/ Buttercups absorb radioactivity - 6040 less geiger-counting reading of Nuclear power plants where this plant is found, (a organic gardening magazine)

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Our survival on Earth may very well depend on the protection of buttercups - a form of plant indicator of swamp land/wetlands. rhizome - cannot be transplanted - only grows where it is found. Many acres at the North end of Willits can be seen in the pastureland adjacent to the recently torn down old barn + farm-house off 101. I know manual a cowboy who lost 27 cows to flooding the road now is submerged + forms lakes throughout the rainy season. Reynolds Highway + outlet creek are the South Fork of the Eel River, the last wild + scenic, RARE undammed salmon-estuary, nursery habitat where NATIVE - not fish hatchery but the original, God-given SALMON, grandmothers + fathers that bring the rest of them HOME, 200 miles from Covelo Rd. - 2 - Rivers, Humboldt BAY, Zona Norris Willits, her grandfather, caught salmon in canoe/tule-grass in the old days. constructed

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4) Hunting and gathering have been historical uses of the lands North of Willits. All geologically unstable, tectonic plates movements, are visible throughout the region - see the costs of Ridgewood Ranch, Golden-Rule - 4 lanes - South of Willits. last 10 years - it keeps sliding due to artesian upwelling springs, alluvial fan - movement / breathing of the earth. She is alive and well, at this point. Mother Earth must be respected and seen as limits to growth. You are not supposed to be destroying Habitats and killing the very source of our happiness and joy the AIR, SALMON the lands, the cows, horses, birds, insects, frogs, Biology, Botany. I counted 167 horses in the fields. We cannot replace what we have. It takes millions of years to build + create soils, watersheds, evolution. Do NOT KILL. They are killing the future. It is time to WAKE UP + preserve + protect our world.

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5) JOBS ARE NEEDED. Public transportation is also. Archeology, Antropology, Biology, Botony,

need not greed.

We do not STUDY NATIVE WAYS. The 15 minutes it takes to go through will its is OK. We must learn to SLOW DOWN.

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Sincerely,

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more studies are needed. The Northbrook traffic must be addressed. Highway 20 does not connect. It needs clean water CEQA, NEPA

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