

Draft Forest Review Committee Recommendation

The Humboldt County Forest Resource Policy Statement should state simply:

“For any unit of land area (defined as an Assessor’s Parcel), currently zoned, or proposed to be zoned TPZ; there shall be no subdivision, lot line adjustment, consolidation of contiguous parcels, or residential development deemed compatible, on subject parcel, unless it can be clearly demonstrated that, subsequent to the action, a periodic and/or continuous revenue stream from forest products production shall be maintained.

For any such unit of land area, criteria for meeting the above requirement shall include (but not be limited to) a history of forest products production, including operations within the past 3 years, possession of an approved timber harvesting plan (THP, or NTMP), specifying a selective or intermediate harvesting system, or an SYP, for each subject future assessor’s parcel, shall likewise be deemed as meeting the above criteria. ”

Such a policy statement, enacted into code, would virtually assure that a TPZ parcel regardless of size, would fulfill it’s intended and zoned purpose of timber production and related amenity values, as well as generate tax revenue from timber production as intended by law.

Respectfully submitted,

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