



# Mendocino County Farm Bureau

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Via Email: [commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov)

Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board  
State Water Resources Control Board  
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Sacramento, CA 95814



RE: DISCONTINUATION OF DISCUSSIONS REGARDING A STATEWIDE APPROACH  
TO ADDRESSING WATER QUALITY IMPACTS FROM LIVESTOCK GRAZING

Dear Chair Marcus and Members of the Board,

The Mendocino County Farm Bureau (MCFB) is a non-governmental, non-profit, voluntary membership, advocacy group whose purpose is to protect and promote agricultural interests throughout the county and to find solutions to the problems facing agricultural businesses and the rural community. MCFB currently represents approximately 1200 members. MCFB would like to submit comments on the discontinuation of the development of the statewide grazing regulatory action project (GRAP).

MCFB supports the decision to discontinue the pursuit of a statewide approach to develop a water quality program related to livestock grazing. Any livestock grazing management or regulatory strategy should take into consideration the regional differences in hydrology, topography, climate, and land use which is not readily achievable through a statewide program.

If Regional Water Boards make determinations to develop water quality programs for livestock grazing, then there should be a transparent process that involves the livestock industry and consideration of non-regulatory BMP based programs.

MCFB encourages the Board to discontinue the development of the statewide grazing regulatory action project (GRAP) and appreciates the opportunity to provide comments on this issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Frost Pauli'.

Frost Pauli  
President

CC: Matthias St. John, Executive Officer, North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board