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I am a property owner located across the street from the proposed Lewis project. I received a letter from your department this week regarding a public hearing that will take place August 26th. I do not have a problem with the construction of a home on the Lewis property. It will not be seen from the street and since their property is at a high point on the ridge it will not block the view for anyone.

However, I do question the house numbering noted in the letter. The Lewis property has been given the number of 27201 Ten Mile Road and further states that the property is located on the west side of Ten Mile Cutoff Road.

My address is 27407 Ten Mile Road, and I am located on the east side of the road. Both house numbers are odd numbers but on opposite side of the road.

According to the municipal code Sec. 18.16.060 properties located on the west side of a road are to have even numbers with odd numbers being assigned to the east side of a road.

The numbering system is in place for a reason and is especially important for first responders to fire or medical calls. Those responders are going to be looking for an address on the wrong side of the road if the road is numbered incorrectly. While it's true that the locals have a good idea where residences are located the same is not true for emergency responders that are not local and covering for a station particularly during these times of wildfires in California when local staff is sent to fight a fire elsewhere or cover for another station. It's best to assume that the responders are not familiar with an area and have homes correctly numbered than to have response time lengthened because an address is not where it's supposed to be.

I have copied and pasted the relevant municipal code below.

Thank You,

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Sec. 18.16.060 - Assignment of Numbers.

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- (A) Assignment. For the purposes of determining the address range of a road or street, the total length of the road in feet shall be divided by 5.28 to indicate the total number of addresses available for said road or street. The approximate straight-line distance between the end of the road connected to the most major access route and the appropriate base line shall be used to determine the beginning of the range. For purposes of determining the proper number for a particular location, the number assigned shall be proportioned to the distances between the numbers next adjacent to the location on either side of the base or index line(s) if no numbers have been previously established on adjoining properties. For purposes of determining whether a number shall be odd or even, it is determined that odd numbers shall be on the southerly and easterly side of the street or road and even numbers on the westerly and northerly side of the street or road. Alphanumeric designations may be used for attached structures with multiple entrances, i.e. duplexes, apartment buildings or office suites. Detached structures should not be given alphanumeric designations, and the use of fractions is not acceptable for any address designation. When possible, the Address Coordinator will refrain from assigning a number that is immediately next in sequence to the next adjacent number. In the event of no numbers being available the Department may, at its discretion, choose to readdress the affected area to better space the units or, if applicable, petition the Board of Supervisors to officially name an existing private access road allowing for the development and assignment of a new range of numbers. For the purposes of determining the appropriate road or street used for addressing, numbers may only be assigned to the last officially named road or street traveled to access the subject property. Unofficial, local or alternate names for roads or driveways may not be used in the assignment of addresses.
- (B) Correction and Adjustment. The established range of a road or the existing addresses along said road may be revised or corrected at the discretion of the Department. Priority is given to the concerns of emergency service agencies when said concerns involve errors, inaccuracies or confusion in the addressing system. Said concerns will be deemed urgent by the Department and the Address Coordinator will take appropriate action to achieve a resolution. The County shall have the right to alter or change any existing address in the unincorporated areas of the County if said address is found to be in conflict with any of the guidelines herein or as laid out in the Mendocino County Code.

(Ord. No. 887, adopted 1972.)

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