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Dear Mendocino County Planning Commissioners,

Our names are **William Grace Frost and Quiana Grace Frost** and we are residents of Fort Bragg, Mendocino County in Northern California. Thank you for the opportunity to submit a public comment and communicate our support for Mendocino County's work on low intensity camping.

When we bought our home the extra deeded parcel we purchased had been used as a campground for the previous owner's RV friends. It was already set up as a campground with water, power and lovely clearing with a picnic table. When we discovered Hipcamp we thought, "We could do this, too!" Having traveled extensively in our RV we knew the value of offering a safe place for folks to camp in peace vs congested, often overfilled campgrounds that pack folks together like sardines. Quiana traveled alone a lot, so it means a lot to us to share the beauty of our setting where folks are safe.

The added income makes it possible for us to help support living here and maintain the natural beauty of the land vs having to sell off that parcel for further development.

We have offered our Hipcamp since October 2023 with just 3 sites. With over 100 campers during our short time as hosts, we have maintained a 100% 5-star rating, and have had only one minor suggestion for improvement that we promptly put into action.

We have met so many wonderful travelers who have been able to experience a more personable introduction to the area. We are already starting to have return guests who've enjoyed their time here so much! Hipcamp is definitely one of our preferred ways to travel and it offers a more peaceful, safe, affordable way for us when we travel, as well as, a way to enjoy the natural beauty in more natural settings.

Please vote today to support a low intensity camping policy that creates reasonable permitting options for local landowners who want to offer a small number of campsites.

Thank you,

William and Quiana Grace Frost

In gratitude, William

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