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Howard N. Dashiell, Director
Mendocino County Department of Transportation
340 Lake Mendocino Drivet
Ukiah, California 95482

Re: Traffic calming on Pacific Avenue in Westport, California

Dear Mr. Dashiell:

The Westport MAC heard testimony from the community on August 1, 2017 about a serious County road problem. Several residents who live on Pacific Avenue in Westport report multiple cases of speeding and running stop signs every day. Both ends of the county road intersect State Route 1. Pacific Avenue is being used by some to pass slow traffic on that state route.

This poses an extreme safety concern for residents of the town including children who play on this road. The road takes a sharp turn that obscures sight distance for vehicles illegally travelling at rates in excess of the 25 MPH limit. The problem is exacerbated recently by long lines of cars in both directions due to necessary repairs of Route 1. Residents of the road have closed circuit videotapes of speeders, reporting multiple incidents every day.

We ask that you take prompt action to assess this dangerous situation and advise us how you plan to address it in cooperation with other agencies such as the Sherriff and Caltrans. We appreciate your ideas for resolving this situation and would be pleased to host a meeting with all parties of interest. Please contact me at wmac95488@wildblue.net or (707) 964-7272 to discuss this matter and share information with the WMAC.

Thank you for giving this problem your prompt attention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Thad M. Van Bueren".

Thad Van Bueren, Chair

cc: Dan Gjerde, Fourth District Supervisor
Thomas Allman, Mendocino County Sherriff
Matthew Bradycolm Dougherty, Caltrans District 1 Director

Westport

Pacific Avenue Traffic Calming



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