

Dear Decision Makers,

First, a little background. Over the last 12 years plus, residents of our community in Monte Rio were threatened by a Sonoma County Supervisor with the prospect of being forced from our homes due to the draconian provisions of AB 885. We were told that the solution was to approve funding for a ruinously expensive sewer system designed by Questa Engineering. The head of Questa, A Mr. Norman Hantsche made substantial financial contributions to the County Supervisor, who, in turn, funneled thousands of dollars in no bid contracts to Questa. I believe that Mr. Hantsche was, and perhaps still is, a member of the AB 885 Advisory Committee. In my opinion, a conflict of interest. I am 70 years old, living on a very modest fixed income. There is no way that I can afford to pay thousands and thousands of dollars for a sewer system. I am one individual residing on three parcels. If I am forced from my home the result could be "full build-out" on those three parcels, resulting in more environmental degradation in a riparian corridor, not less. I urge you to consider exempting senior citizens, the disabled and others on fixed incomes from the proposed requirements of AB 885 until such time as we die and our properties are sold.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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