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Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Cruz
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Defer Consideration of Certified Wood and Energy in County Contracting

Dear Members of the Board:

On November 14, 2000, as part of your Board's consideration of an ordinance articulating environmental principles and policies to guide County government throughout the decade 2000-2009, your Board directed staff to return with an analysis of the feasibility of requiring environmentally-certified wood and energy in County contracting.

Staff has been in communication with Big Creek Lumber and a number of environmental organizations related to these issues in an effort to assess the feasibility of such policies. However, staff requires additional time to continue its communications with relevant environmental organizations, jurisdictions which have directly dealt with these issues, and to complete its analysis of the feasibility of such policies.

IT IS, THEREFORE, RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD defer its consideration of an analysis of the feasibility of requiring environmentally-certified wood and energy in County contracting until February 28, 2001.

Very truly yours,

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