



# CITY OF BLUE LAKE

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Mr. John Ford-Director  
Humboldt County Planning Department  
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Dear Mr. Ford:

I am writing this letter in regard to the area commonly known as “Glendale,” and the Planning Commissions intention to address zoning changes in this area. As a neighboring jurisdiction the City of Blue Lake considers Glendale a sister community. The citizens of Blue Lake actively shop in Glendale and the City of Blue Lake provides water services to many residences along Glendale Drive.

As a neighboring community, the City of Blue Lake has a vested interest in the future development plans of the Glendale area and sees many opportunities for the City of Blue Lake and the County to participate in discussions and planning activities for the area. The City of Blue Lake has very limited open lands available for residential and commercial development and sees Glendale as a partner region for future expansion.

The City is actively working with the County to develop the Annie and Mary Trail and is excited to see the connectivity to the Glendale community. The proposed trail will provide a safe route for Glendale residents to commute to Blue Lake for school, shopping and additional recreation opportunities and will provide Blue Lake residents an alternative transportation option for shopping and recreating in the Glendale region.

As our economic climate changes and industries start to equalize it is becoming necessary for all jurisdictions to recognize our collective regional value and to commit to a planning process that is inclusive and forward thinking. As we all struggle with the local, regional and national housing crisis it is imperative that we take a more thoughtful and planned approach to development opportunities.

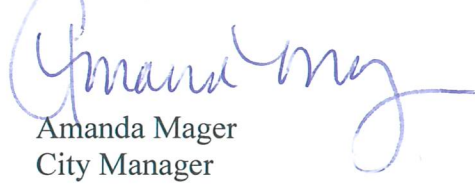
As these plans move forward it is critical that we provide a strong foundation for development and think far enough ahead to accommodate investment. I would like to ask the County to consider additional workshops to discuss the Glendale area with a more targeted focus on a long-term development strategy. The City of Blue Lake would ask to be an active participant in these discussions and would be happy to facilitate and/or host additional workshops and discussions.

As Glendale is a community bisected by residential and commercial industrial uses, it makes sense to take a slower and more thoughtful approach to zoning and development strategies.

Thank you for your time and consideration; the City of Blue Lake welcomes the opportunity to work with the County and the citizens of Glendale and looks forward to the development of a well thought out and community reflective planning strategy.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (707) 668-5655 or by email at [citymanager@bluelake.ca.gov](mailto:citymanager@bluelake.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Amanda Mager". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Amanda Mager  
City Manager