

Dear Planning and Building Department of Humboldt County,

This project should be implemented even with the high possible impact (take) of the endangered species, Marbled Mullet and other aviary species such as condors. The fact that Terra-Gen estimates the project will prevent the emission of 372,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide, the equivalent of taking 80,000 cars off the road will also have an impact on the marbled murrelets. This indirect impact will be beneficial to the species because of the slowed impacts of climate change and may be a catalyst to slowing changes in climate enough to give these species a fighting chance to adapt with the new environment. The impacts on marbled murrelets are speculative but as a community (to any scale) we know there is a need to be pursuing renewable energy for many reasons, including to stabilize ecological communities.

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Thank you,

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