



Westport Municipal Advisory Council

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February 12, 2016

Charles Fielder, District 1 Director
Department of Transportation - District 1
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Re: Radar feedback signs on Route 1 in Westport (MEN-001, PM 77.0/77.7)

Dear Director Fielder:

The Westport community would like to thank you and your staff for the radar feedback signs Caltrans recently installed in response to our suggestion last June. They have noticeably contributed to traffic calming. Please commend your traffic safety staff for their prompt response. The community greatly appreciates your response.

The WMAC would also like to request an update on plans to address the persistent landslide on Route 1 between post miles 76.2 and 76.4 near Chadbourne gulch south of Westport. Public concern is mounting because our community depends on that route to access Fort Bragg for all major services including emergency support (ambulance/Calfire). The community urges Caltrans to plan a permanent solution such as a viaduct or reroute before a catastrophic slide severs this vital access route.

We would appreciate any news on the landslide issue. If convenient, you or your designated staff are invited to attend our March 1 meeting at the Westport Community Church starting at 7:00 PM. Please let me know if Caltrans plans to participate by calling (707) 964-7272 or sending an email to WMAC95488@wildblue.net by February 26, 2016 so we can provide proper notice to the community.

Sincerely,

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

Thad Van Bueren, Chairperson

cc: David A. Morgan, Traffic Safety Chief
Darron Hill, Traffic Safety Engineer
Mendocino County Supervisor Dan Gjerde
MCOG Executive Director Phil Dow