



Animal Shelter
The BOSTWO to: Cynthia C Johnson
Sent by: Kitty J. Miller

07/19/2010 12:34 PM

Thank you.

Kitty Miller, Supervisor's Assistant
El Dorado County Supervisor
Ray Nutting, District II
530) 621-5651

----- Forwarded by Kitty J. Miller/PV/EDC on 07/19/2010 12:34 PM -----



Animal Shelter

Mary Lou Giles to: bosone, bostwo, bosthree, bosfour, bosfive

07/14/2010 04:33 PM

Dear Supervisors,

During the month of June, I wrote each of you a letter, and sent each of you an e-mail, expressing my support for building a new animal shelter in our county. I explained in some detail my reasons for supporting this position; I won't reiterate them here. I want to add to that by stating that I would vigorously, vehemently, and vociferously oppose any attempt to privatize or outsource animal care and control. We need a shelter in this county, and we need local animal care and control officers and staff providing this vital service.

Along with a significant number of other folks, I attended the BOS meeting on June 29, at which it was decided to continue the animal shelter discussion to the next meeting. I intend to be there next Tuesday at 10 AM when the issue is scheduled to be discussed. I hope I'll see my county supervisors do the right thing and direct staff to move forward with building a new animal shelter in our county.

Sincerely,

Mary Lou Giles

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animal shelter

Janice Marques to: bostwo

07/15/2010 12:59 PM

Mr. Nutting,

I wrote to you last month asking you to support the completion of a permanent shelter for lost, abandoned, abused, and neglected pets in our county. I know budgets are tight, but over a million dollars has already been spent on this project and the shelter is desperately needed. I hope to hear you voicing your support next Tuesday.

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Thank you very much,
Janice K. Marques, PhD
Mount Aukum, CA 95656 (District 2)

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El Dorado County Western Slope Animal Shelter Project

EDDOG to: bostwo

07/15/2010 09:32 PM

Dear Supervisor Nutting:

On behalf of the El Dorado Dog Owners Guild (EDDOG), we urge you to move forward quickly to construct the new animal shelter facility. We have followed the long course of this badly needed and long overdue project for years. The animal shelter was housed for decades in a substandard facility, and has been housed since 2007 in totally inadequate temporary facilities. We understand that the lease on the temporary shelter site at 511 Placerville Dr. expires in January 2011, thus creating another urgent situation to move the shelter. We also understand that the county is currently spending about \$150,000 per year for leased space at 3 separate temporary sites. This is not the best use of taxpayer dollars and an inefficient way to operate county animal services.

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Sincerely,

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EDC Animal Shelter

Robin Weinberger to: bosone, bostwo, bosthree, bosfour, bosfive

07/16/2010 10:16 AM

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I just thought I would send my question to all of you - what is the current plan in place for these animals? Why did we spend all that money to start a much-needed animal shelter but not adhere to the appropriate timelines?

Thanks for your response,
Robin Weinberger
robin@weinbergerlaw.net

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RE: El Dorado County Western Slope Animal Shelter Project

Chris Wagner to: 'EDDOG', bostwo

07/16/2010 10:50 AM

Sounds great Lisa! Where do I sign up to help??

Chris Wagner

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From: EDDOG [<mailto:cpdogpark@yahoo.com>]

Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 9:33 PM

To: bostwo@edcgov.us

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Re: El Dorado County Western Slope Animal Shelter Project

CPDOG to: Chris Wagner

07/16/2010 11:05 AM

Cc: "<bostwo@edcgov.us>"

Please attend next Tuesday's El Dorado County Board of Supervisors Meeting on July 20. This issue is to be on the agenda at 10:00 am. I know many supporters work during this time of the day, but if you could make it that would help show our support. The location is 330 Fair Lane, Placerville.

Your support is greatly appreciated!

Lisa Van Dyke, Secretary
EDDOG

On Jul 16, 2010, at 10:49 AM, "Chris Wagner" <chris@waggypetsitting.com> wrote:

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RE: El Dorado County Western Slope Animal Shelter Project

Chris Wagner to: 'CPDOG'

07/16/2010 11:31 AM

Cc: bostwo

Hi Lisa,

I have a BNI meeting every Tuesday. It would be hard for me to make it especially if it's in Placerville.

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Chris

Chris Wagner

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From: CPDOG [mailto:cpdogpark@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, July 16, 2010 11:04 AM

To: Chris Wagner

Cc: <bostwo@edcgov.us>

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 **West Slope Animal Shelter, Support for Construction**

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info to: bosfour

07/16/2010 02:11 PM

Cc: bosone, bostwo, bosthree, bosfive

Supervisor Briggs,

We are writing you to voice our Team's **support** for the construction of a new animal shelter on the County owned property near the Shinn Ranch.

The time has come to step up to the plate and do the right thing for the lost and homeless animals of El Dorado County while at the same time getting the most value for taxpayers dollars thanks to a depressed bidding climate.

Team Desert Dawgs is based in Coloma, with members from Placerville, Shingle Springs, El Dorado Hills, Elk Grove and Chehalis WA.

We race the desert areas of the western states in the Animal Planet - Petfinder.com race car. Our motto is "*Racing the West for Homeless Pets*" We race to raise awareness for the plight of homeless and shelter pets nationwide.

In our travels we have had the opportunity to visit many shelters, both large and small. None have been as inadequate as the temporary shelter on Placerville Drive.

Again, the Team Members from El Dorado County urge you do the right thing and move along with the project that will benefit yours and future generations.

Sincerely,

Jerry Ornellas, El Dorado Hills
John Malick, Placerville
Don Smith, Shingle Springs



Jeff Lee, Coloma Mint 400 pitt bull (Small).jpg

----- Forwarded by Kitty J. Miller/PV/EDC on 07/19/2010 12:34 PM -----

Re: Western Slope Animal Shelter Project

Harris, Melanie to: bosone, bostwo, bosfour, bosfive, bosthree

07/17/2010 12:48 AM

Cc: edc.cob

Dear Supervisors,

I would like to urge you to move forward quickly to construct the new animal shelter facility for the Western Slope. I have followed the long course of this badly needed and long overdue project for years. I understand that the lease on the temporary shelter

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site at 511 Placerville Dr. expires in January 2011, thus creating another urgent situation to move the shelter.

I also understand that the county is currently spending about \$150,000 per year for leased space at three separate temporary sites. This is an inefficient way to operate county animal services.

I strongly support the construction of the facility at the El Dorado "Y"--property that the county purchased in **2006 for this purpose**, for which architectural drawings are already completed and funding have been allocated. Proceeding now will also take advantage of a very favorable bidding/construction cost climate. The County has deferred investment in this important community resource for too many years. It is time to build a facility that has enough space and meets accepted standards of care for neglected, abused, abandoned, and stray animals. Remember, this is the only facility serving the vast area of the Western Slope.

It will serve us well for the future; please let us do this, correctly, now!

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Melanie J Harris

1361 Spring Tunnel Mine Road, Georgetown CA 95634-9524

3011 Lariat Drive, Cameron Park CA 95682-9613

----- Forwarded by Kitty J. Miller/PV/EDC on 07/19/2010 12:34 PM -----

 Please include my June 6 email in your materials for Western Slope Animal Shelter

Lynnee Boyes to: bostwo

07/17/2010 10:30 AM

Supervisor Nutting,

Re: Western Slope Animal Shelter

Due to the above agenda item being continued to a new date I am unable to attend the July 20th meeting to show my support for the Western Slope Animal Shelter at the El Dorado Y. Please include my prior June 6th email in your materials for this agenda item. I continue to urge you to complete the Western Slope Animal Shelter at the El Dorado Y.

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Thank you for your passion and commitment to making El Dorado County a healthy, vibrant community.

Sincerely,
Lynnee Boyes

— Forwarded by Kitty J. Miller/PV/EDC on 07/19/2010 12:34 PM —

El Dorado County Animal Shelter, Placerville.

Elizabeth Sorensen to: bosone, bostwo, bosthree, bosfour, bosfive

07/17/2010 02:33 PM

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I live in Auburn Lake Trails, Cool and work as a community volunteer with abandoned and neglected animals. This area, AKA, "The Divide", has an abundance of homeless animals that are transported to Placerville. We need a facility in Placerville which is still 20 Miles away from us, but doable.

I also get my service dogs at the Placerville animal Shelter. I cannot drive to Sacramento as it is too far for me to go as well as many of my fellow volunteers and handicapped people who need service dogs.

Over the years, I have taken in animals, paid for their rehabilitation and have given them a home. But as you know, each property owner is allowed a limited number of domestic animals per resident, per county ordinance.

I have respected that ordinance out of respect for the law and the county law makers. Now I am asking you to help us to continue to respect that ordinance and limitation on numbers of animals per residence.

Therefore:

I strongly oppose a sheltering alternative recently raised that would house El Dorado County stray, abandoned, neglected and abused animals at the Sacramento County Animal Shelter. I fully expect that the staff review will show a great many operational and logistics problems with this concept. But in addition to those, under a plan to house this County's animals so far away, El Dorado County's adoption rates will suffer dramatically, numbers of lost animals reclaimed will drop, animals will be abandoned here in even larger numbers, and the many hours of volunteer support will be severely reduced. And of great concern is the high euthanasia rate of 50% to 60% at the Sacramento County Shelter. That is simply unacceptable.

I urge you to complete the permanent Western Slope Animal Shelter at the El Dorado "Y".

Respectfully,

Elizabeth Sorensen
3057 Secret Lake Trail
Cool, CA 95614
530 889-9049

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Permanent Animal Shelter

Michael Damer to: bostwo

07/17/2010 03:26 PM

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Sincerely,

Michael Damer
Placerville

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outsourcing animal sheltering to Sac. County

Mary Lou Giles to: bosone, bostwo, bosthree, bosfour, bosfive

07/17/2010 04:16 PM

Dear Supervisors,

I am adamantly opposed to Sup. Knight's notion of sheltering El Dorado County's abandoned and abused animals at the Sac. County Shelter.

This is a costly and inhumane option which causes hardship to county residents as well as to the animals involved.

First, I do not want my tax dollars wasted on yet another "temporary" solution. In addition to the no doubt hefty fee that Sac County will charge, there will be costs incurred for the gas, wear and tear on county vehicles, and overtime for officers driving up and down highway 50.

Second, such a system will probably result in lower adoption rates and lower rates of pet reclamation as county residents face the cost in time and dollars to drive down the hill to adopt or reclaim animals. This will also adversely effect volunteer efforts. Personally, I would find it difficult to drive down to Bradshaw Road on a regular basis to help exercise and socialize dogs, or to help with adoption events.

Third, there will undoubtedly be an uptick in the number of animals just dumped in the county by residents unwilling or unable to drive them down to Bradshaw Road to

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surrender. Do I have to describe the horrific things that can happen to a dumped pet? Fourth, the Sac County Shelter has about a 50% kill rate. Add that to the decrease in El Dorado County residents trekking down to Bradshaw Road to adopt or reclaim animals, and you sentence a totally unacceptable number of adoptable pets to death. I find that stomach churning.

I will be at the Board meeting this coming Tuesday.

I hope to see the Board of Supervisors do the fiscally responsible, common sense, humane thing and direct staff to start the process of building a new shelter here in this county.

Sincerely,

Mary Lou Giles

Cameron Park

----- Forwarded by Kitty J. Miller/PV/EDC on 07/19/2010 12:34 PM -----

Sacramento Co. Animal Shelter

Nancy Swenson to: bosone, bostwo, bosthree, bosfour, bosfive

07/17/2010 04:59 PM

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OK, that was the part I copied from an email I received. Now I will give you my real no spin opinion. I am appalled at this bonehead idea. Doesn't anybody on the board of supervisors have any respect or consideration for the animals in El Dorado County? How about the people who live in El Dorado County? I suggest you pay a visit to the shelters in Sacramento and see if you would want your pets staying there. What makes you think Sac Co. Animal Shelter has any room for El Dorado County's animals? Haven't you heard of the budget and staff cuts in Sacramento? I will remember this when your re-election times roll around again. And I'll bet all my neighbors and friends will too. Geez!

Nancy Swenson
nswenson1@me.com

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Opposing shelter alternative

Nancy Estrada to: bostwo

07/18/2010 10:21 AM

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Jose and Nancy Estrada

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Build the Animal Shelter at the "Y"

Jamie Hartshorn to: bostwo

07/18/2010 10:25 AM

Dear Supervisor Nutting:

I am hoping you will realize that transporting to and sheltering El Dorado County animals in Sacramento is a totally unworkable solution, from both cost and logistical points of view. The current shelter in El Dorado County does a good job of reuniting owners with lost pets and finding "forever homes" for abandoned and stray animals, while Sacramento has a euthanasia rate as high as 60%, which is unacceptable to anyone who loves animals.

Please complete the permanent Western Slope Animal Shelter at the El Dorado "Y." The County already owns the land...purchased for this purpose...and the lease at the current facility is up in January.

Jamie Hartshorn
Placerville, CA

----- Forwarded by Kitty J. Miller/PV/EDC on 07/19/2010 12:34 PM -----

Animal Shelter Project

Mary Winkler to: bostwo

07/18/2010 10:46 AM

Cc: edc.cob, "Shelter Coalition"

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Ray Nutting
Board of Supervisors
El Dorado County
330 Fair Lane
Placerville, CA 95667

Re: Western Slope Animal Shelter Project

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Sincerely

Jay and Mary Winkler
Shingle Springs

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 **Western Slope Animal Shelter**

Nan Powers to: bostwo

07/18/2010 11:36 AM

Dear Supervisor Nutting:

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As a long-time supporter of the need for a much larger and adequate animal shelter in El Dorado County, I would like to urge you to move forward quickly to construct the new facility. I have followed the course of this badly-needed, long-overdue project for years, and am tired of the Board making excuse after excuse for not proceeding with it. As you know, the animal shelter was housed for decades in a substandard facility, and has been housed for several years now in totally inadequate temporary facilities, which I have been to many times to pick up orphaned or injured wild animals rescued by animal services officers.

I understand that the county is currently spending about \$150,000 per year for leased space at three separate temporary sites. This is not the best use of taxpayer dollars, and a very inefficient way to operate County Animal Services. The current lease on the temporary shelter site on Placerville Dr. expires in January 2011, which is another urgent reason for the new shelter to be built. Proceeding now, while construction costs are at an all-time low, seems to be the reasonable thing to do. In addition, I know that many animals are not getting adopted, since there is no central shelter where people can view and visit with them, and many of the excess animals have had to be placed in foster homes around the county. When people are ready to adopt an animal, they do not want to have to go all over the county to different places to see them. With all the stray or abandoned animals needing adoption in the county, we need to have these animals available for people who are willing and eager to adopt.

I know that architectural drawings are already completed, and funding has been allocated, for the construction of the facility at the El Dorado "Y", the property that the county purchased in 2006 for this purpose. The County has deferred investment in this important community resource for too many years. It is time to build a facility that has enough space and meets the accepted standards of care for homeless animals. This is the ONLY animal shelter for dogs, cats, and other small animals, as well as large animals, serving the entire Western Slope area, and will serve the county for decades.

Again, I urge you to vote to proceed immediately on this project that is so important to the welfare of the residents and animals of El Dorado County.

Sincerely,

Nan Powers

Wildlife Rehabber

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Stacy Wright to: bostwo

07/18/2010 05:18 PM

July 18th, 2010

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330 Fair Lane
Placerville, CA 95667

Re: Western Slope Animal Shelter Project

Dear Mr. Nutting:

As pet owners who have a rescue dog from the Placerville shelter, we urge you to move forward quickly to construct the new animal shelter facility for the Western Slope. We understand that the lease on the temporary shelter site at 511 Placerville Dr. expires in January 2011, creating an urgent situation to move the shelter. We also understand that the county is currently spending about \$150,000 per year for leased space at 3 separate temporary sites. This is not the best use of taxpayer dollars and an inefficient way to operate county animal services.

We **strongly** support the construction of the facility at the El Dorado "Y"--property that the county purchased in 2006 for this purpose, for which architectural drawings are already completed and funding has been allocated. Proceeding now will also take advantage of a very favorable bidding/construction cost climate. The County has deferred investment in this important community resource for too many years. It is time to build a facility that has enough space and meets accepted standards of care for neglected, abused, abandoned and stray animals. This is the **ONLY** animal shelter for dogs, cats, large and other small animals serving the vast area of the Western Slope. It will serve us for decades, so let's do this correctly, now.

We see our pets as part of our family. The building of this shelter is a **very** important issue for us, & all of our various neighbors who also have rescue dogs agree. While we won't be able to attend the board meeting on Tuesday, we will be watching for a positive outcome to be announced.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Sincerely,

Stacy & Michael Wright

2857 Clemson Drive

Cameron Park, CA 95682

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Shelter issue

Rountree to: bostwo

07/18/2010 09:40 PM

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I urge you to complete the permanent Western Slope Animal Shelter at the El Dorado "Y".

Cindy Rountree

Rescue, California

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Animal Shelter at the Y

Sandy Gallagher to: bosone, bostwo, bosthree, bosfour, bosfive

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Thank you,
Sandra Gallagher
Diamond Springs, CA

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