

M-Lane #43 BOS 2/23/16

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1-23-16 – #43 RMP CSP/BLM

I may not be politically correct, but I'm biblically correct.
First let me begin by stating I don't like being lied to, or lied about.

During the 9/14/15 RMAC meeting regarding SUPs Tim Lasko, Nate Rangel and Adam Anderson revealed their true colors. That meeting was a set-up, just like what happened here this morning. Anticipating trouble, I requested 4 witnesses attend. One was a retired deputy Sheriff; another was Chris Payne; and ~~the~~ other was EDC employee Claudia Wade, resident of Chili Bar. Mike Ranalli also was in attendance as well as Roger Trout, members of the Chamber of Commerce and the River Mafia mob.

On July 14, 2015 we had an unplanned meeting with Vickie Sanders and Steve Peterson regarding a BOS agenda item involving Parks and Recreation and RMAC. A retired deputy Sheriff accompanied me and the entire conversation was audio recorded for purposes of transparency and accountability.

At that time Steve and Vickie rolled out the plan to remove the power and control from RMAC; they were clearly out of control. Essentially the Sheriff's Office & Planning would be removed from the equation by creating a GIS system to log SUP violations, campground illegal fireworks and other code & law enforcement complaints.

We had a follow up meeting with Vickie Sanders on 8/3/15 with a prepared agenda. Again I was accompanied by a deputy and the meeting was audio recorded. Steve Peterson was not permitted to participate due to legal and personnel issues involving Noah Rucker, State Parks and BLM personnel. Several individuals who've been complicit are specifically named in EDSO correspondence.

Some of these issues had been covered during a meeting made at the request of Robyn Drivon and Paula Franz on 11/12/14. At that time two witnesses accompanied me to our audio recorded meeting. One of the witnesses was Larry Weitzman, whose EDC Legal Counsel Giving Bad Advice appeared in the 2/19/16 Lake Tahoe News.

RMAC is clearly out of control. So is our local government as witnessed this morning in this room. The CAO and County Counsel has been sabotaging citizens rights.

This board is tasked with making the difficult decision to either:

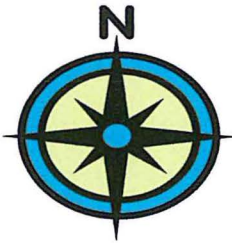
- Let RMAC bullies and special interest groups maintain their control of the river
- Turn the RMP over to CA State Parks and BLM Big Government control, or *impacting mineral, water & property rights*

By the tyranny

- Just do the right thing and uphold your Constitutional Oaths of office.

Madam Clerk: Please enter these documents into the public record:

1. This transcript
2. 2/21/16 EDSO letter re: CF#15-5698 & #15-5798
3. 1/14/16 EDSO letter re: CF#15-5698 & #15-5798
4. 2/19/16 Weitzman/EDC legal counsel giving bad advice
5. 11/12/14 Drivon/Franz meeting agenda
6. 8/3/15 Parks & Rec agenda w/Vickie Sanders
7. 5/15/15 Sweeney BOS (Wade vs. EDC & ARC)



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February 21, 2016

Sheriff John D'Agostini
c/o Deputy Corey Engelbrektson
El Dorado County Sheriff's Office
300 Fair Lane
Placerville, CA 95667

RE: Case File #15-5698 – Coloma Resort Illegal Fireworks & SUP Violations
Case File #15-5793 – Cyberbullying - Harassment/**Identity Theft**

Dear Sheriff D'Agostini:

It is my understanding that Deputy Corey Engelbrektson is taking over Deputy Bernie Brown's investigation of the above inter-related case files while he is on medical leave. The last time I spoke with Bernie on October 8th he asked me to pray for him while on medical leave but he did not know when he would return to duty.

Although I had established a certain amount of trust in Bernie, I told him I was cognizant that County Counsel was riding interference for the Sheriff. He assured me, "*Just give him a chance.*"

Deputy Brown's investigation included interviews of individuals responsible for harassment, cyberbullying and identity theft stemming from my July 4, 2015 posting to CL News about the annual illegal fireworks, traffic jams and repeated SUP violations at the Coloma Resort. Although Deputy Gennai referred **CF15-5698** to Code Enforcement, it has fallen into the "black hole" created by County Counsel and government bureaucracy.

Despite providing EDSO contact information of witnesses, none of them were ever contacted nor was there any follow up by EDSO or Roger Trout. This is a public safety issue affecting the entire Coloma Lotus community but the silence from our government representatives has been deafening. It is unacceptable.

All river residents along the SFAR have the right to live in peace and safety. As I mentioned during the 2/18/16 RMP meeting some community members are more equal than others. See **Exhibit H** which refers to Chili Bar residents Wade v. EDC and American River Conservancy.

Claudia Wade is a county employee. She and her husband have spent over \$60,000 on legal fees fighting local government corruption. River Manager Noah Rucker-Tripplet was named in the original suit. EDC counter-filed for **harassment and eminent domain**. It's all about who controls the mining, water and property rights along the SFAR. You have to pay to play their legal games and run the risk of bankruptcy.

At my request Claudia was present for the 9/14/15 RMAC meeting with three other individuals which included a retired deputy Sheriff. Mike Ranalli also was present to witness how totally out of control County Counsel

and RMAC has become. What the Wades and several other river residents have experienced is just one example. ***It should be a warning to every citizen across our entire nation.***

The attached 2002 petition of signatures requesting the revocation of the American River Resort and Coloma Resort SUPs contains the names of Harry Mercado and Martin Harris that Deputy Brown claimed to have interviewed or intended to interview among others relevant to **CF15-5793**. (Refer to 1/14/16 correspondence)

I was told this matter would be referred to the IT/Forensics division of the District Attorney's office but that too has been met with silence. Danny Bear's reluctance to provide this basic information during our phone conversation last week undermines the public's confidence in law enforcement to uphold their Constitutional Oaths of Office and be responsive to citizens of EDC.

Thursday night's RMP meeting held at the Coloma Grange Hall further demonstrated the River Mafia Mob mentality has given Coloma the reputation of the "environmental belly of the beast"—words spoken by EDC Chamber of Commerce President Laurel Brent-Bumb during a BOS meeting a few years ago. Bottom line: they are a bunch of bullies drunk with power and control.

Whether CA State Parks in conjunction with BLM take over the River Management Plan or leave the RMAC Mafia Mob in total control of our valley, citizens of our river community are still left at the mercy of code and law enforcement to do their duty. As Sgt. Brown witnessed along with about ~55 community members at the Thursday evening RMP meeting, it is a waste of taxpayer's time and money to hire consultant Steve Peterson with the goal to push for an already predetermined outcome.

Sheriff, the questions that remain to be answered:

1. Who is the current EDSO representative to RMAC???
2. Why wasn't CF15-5793 referred to the District Attorney's IT/Forensic division for further investigation?
3. Why haven't I been contacted? Am I black-listed and/or under EDSO surveillance?
4. It is a waste of taxpayer's money and county resources to have a deputy come to my home just to pick up correspondence. When will you restore my right to access EDSO via email?
5. When are we going to have our "Come to Jesus" meeting with Mike Ranalli, EDSO, Roger Trout and ***Compass2Truth*** representatives?

I look forward to the courtesy of your immediate reply.

Sincerely,

Melody Lane

Enclosures:

1. Exhibit A – 11/12/15 @ 4:54 PM email to Trout, EDSO, County Counsel re: CF15-5698 & 5793
2. Exhibit B – 6/4/02 Coloma Resort/American River Resort SUP Revocation petition
3. Exhibit C – 8/9/12 transcript of Roger Trout/Pierre Rivas conversation re: SUP petitions
4. Exhibit D – 9/4/12 EDSO/MGDP/Planning SUP Agenda
5. Exhibit E – 10/12/15 CPRA – EDSO rep to RMAC, Oaths of Office/Ethics Training
6. Exhibit F – 12/15/15 BOS Open Forum transcript
7. Exhibit G – 10/27/15 BOS Open Forum transcript
8. Exhibit H – 5/15/15 Sweeney letter to BOS re: Wade v. EDC and ARC



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January 14, 2016

To: Deputy Bernie Brown
Sheriff John D'Agostini

RE: Case File #15-5698 – Coloma Resort Illegal Fireworks & SUP Violations
Case File #15-5793 – Cyberbullying - Harassment/**Identity Theft**

Dear Deputy Brown:

The purpose of this correspondence is to follow up on your investigation of the above captioned case files.

Despite providing EDSO substantial documentation I have not heard anything from you since October 8th when we last met concerning this “priority” investigation and prosecution of the individuals you claimed to have interviewed. You indicated that I’d be advised as soon as you filed your final report and handed off the matter to the IT Cyber-forensics division of the District Attorney’s office.

In the interim several more incidents have taken place, the harassment continues, and EDSO remains uncommunicative. It is my understanding that both these case files are still open. If so, what is the status of your investigation and why haven’t I heard anything from the District Attorney?

During our conversations you asked me specific questions pertaining to these investigations. The following replies will supplement EDSO and D.A. investigations:

- 1. Who do you think might be responsible or has the technological expertise for the hacking of your Face Book, email accounts, and identity theft?***

I specifically replied the prime suspects were American River Conservancy affiliates Howard Penn, Donna McMaster, Harry Mercado and Mike Bean. I was told that Mike Bean requested his attorney be present when you interviewed him; however this appeared to be a stall tactic since you indicated no lawyer was present when you later spoke with him. You were adamant that Harry Mercado and Howard Penn were not in any way involved.

As you are aware these individuals have publicly posted on CLNews about their formation of a committee to censor me. Brenda Bailey from Mike Ranalli’s office also informed me the BOS, EDSO and County Counsel are all monitoring CLNews postings.

EDSO history does have a pattern of repeating itself so I voiced my concern that several reliable individuals felt the Sheriff's Department may be responsible for targeting me. You replied, "It's not us!"

You also indicated that Cris Alarcon, Robert Palacios and Dave Martinez were suspects. Although I felt you were wasting your time, you warned me not to "interfere with your investigation." Later you informed me Palacios was indeed involved in the hate campaign. Everyone knows Alarcon has an axe to grind. You felt Dave Martinez was the prime suspect because of his irrational public comment made during the 9/14/15 RMAC meeting about me "putting campgrounds out of business." I responded that I would not be intimidated by a bunch of bullies whose intent was to run me out of the county simply because they don't want to abide by the Laws, Ordinances, Regulations and Statutes (LORS) of EDC. You assured me emphatically that you would get to the bottom of the investigation and press charges. The ensuing three months of EDSO silence has been deafening.

2. Has anyone called you a "bitch", made other derogatory remarks, avoided, ignored, or treated you "differently"?

After further reflection I recalled Lt. Craig Therkildsen publicly made a remark to one of the leaders of the 2012 Toys for Tots event when he said, "What are you doing here with that bitch?" The leader was shocked by Craig's very inappropriate remark and did not reply. Craig was not in uniform at the time since he had retired effective 12/30/2011. However Sheriff D'Agostini was present in uniform with his wife Jeanine. She made a point to approach me while I was sorting toys to make a friendly remark about my involvement in the Toys for Tots event. Jeanine also mentioned she was grateful my prayer group SOFAR Intercessors was praying for her and Sheriff John as requested.

Another incident was October 23, 2013 when I attended an EDSO public forum at the Garden Valley High School where Craig Therkildsen was present *in uniform*. That was the evening prior to flying back to Wisconsin to attend my mother's funeral. I audio recorded the entirety of the event where Craig took his turn addressing the audience. A candidate for Supervisor remarked to me that he thought Craig was retired and wondered why he was even there in uniform.

After the event concluded I approached Sheriff D'Agostini at the rear of the room where he was conversing with a neighbor. I then extended a handshake and the following dialog took place as Undersheriff Rich Williams stood apparently uncomfortable nearby witnessing our exchange:

Sheriff John D'Agostini: Hello Miss Lane.

Melody: Hello Sheriff D'Agostini. How are you?

John: Good.

Melody: Got a question to ask you.

John: Um hum?

Melody: Why has my email been blocked from the Sheriff's Department?

John: Because you're costing my staff too much time. If you have a law enforcement issue call (unintelligible-noise)...

Melody: I have law enforcement issues. And I also have the issues where I've been delivering stuff to your office and there's been no response from our public servants. If you watched yesterday's Board of Supervisors meeting...the video is up now...it involves the Sheriff's Department and some of the issues having to do with the CPRAs...the fact that you're assigning CFS numbers and not giving case file numbers to enter material evidence for investigation. The surveillance camera that was stolen from my property last week...again there are a couple incidents in regard to that. These are serious issues. It's very apparent I've been targeted. I'd also like to know...it seems very apparent that my telephone has been tapped by the Sheriff's Department and I think uh...that's deserving of some answers.

John: (tersely) It's a lie. But thank you. (nervously looking around for an escape)

Melody: It's not a lie. I've got the evidence. You got the...you got the report that I submitted. Do you understand where...

John: (agitated) Melody if you've got a law enforcement issue call and we will respond.

Melody: I have called and responded and you've got the material evidence that I've asked to be entered into the file. Sheriff you are reminded that you work for us...

Obviously uncomfortable Sheriff John abruptly turns away and walks over to greet someone else.

END OF TRANSCRIPT#

Lt. Tim Becker also has demonstrated hostility against me for questioning his involvement in RMAC. EDSO and County Counsel's lack of appropriate response to Public Record Act requests in this regard are indicative of the systemic EDC dysfunction. The resulting meeting request by Robyn Drivon and Paula Franz culminated in a lengthy meeting on 11/12/14 with two witnesses who accompanied me. (See Exhibit A)

Then there was the September 14, 2015 RMAC meeting. The purpose was to address Code and Law Enforcement issues pertaining to campground SUPs and various River Management Plan violations. This subject had been extensively discussed with Vickie Sanders and consultant Steve Petersen prior to the agenda being posted on the EDC website. Vickie stated that she had also consulted with Mike Ciccozzi. EDSO and CA State Parks representatives to RMAC were not present as required by the RMP.

That evening Howard Penn, Dave Martinez, Coloma Resort owners, and Chamber of Commerce members all took turns lambasting me. Three RMAC members falsely accused me of using profanity and denied me the right to speak in violation of the Brown Act. Roger Trout, Vickie Sanders, Supervisor Ranalli and an EDSO deputy standing at the back of the room witnessed the whole pre-orchestrated charade. Anticipating trouble, I requested three key witnesses attend the meeting. All of them concluded it was a very disturbing set up by the "River Mafia" under the direction of County Counsel...business as usual in El Dorado County.

Most recently during the November 20th Rural Communities Coalition Sheriff D'Agostini was the guest speaker at the Garden Valley Fire Department. As usual I audio recorded the meeting. The Sheriff encouraged citizens report to EDSO "any kind of unusual activity" or casing in their neighborhoods. Many of the attendees that evening knew I have been targeted for an unusual amount of trespassing, casing and harassment. When the opportunity presented itself I described yet another recent incident when someone parked at my gate aimed a high-powered floodlight into my home. *I also shared your remarks about eight of the 16 available deputies on the Western Slope quit EDSO to accept higher paying positions elsewhere.* The only available deputy on duty that evening was up in South Lake Tahoe. Obviously he couldn't respond so I specifically asked him to make a record of it. Subsequently I called my neighbor who showed up pronto but was unsuccessful in his attempt to

intercept the white truck headed up Mt. Murphy. The conversation morphed into the necessity for CCWs due to inadequate EDSO staffing.

The whole point of my question was, why bother calling EDSO if they don't have sufficient staff or willingness to respond? This generated quite a bit of controversy which the Sheriff didn't seem to appreciate. He claimed to have 53 deputies on duty. Sheriff John then demanded to know the name of the deputy who gave me that false information about EDSO staffing; he already knew the answer before he asked the question. I informed him privately that it was Deputy Bernie Brown. The Sheriff just glared at me without replying.

There's also the issue about your suggestion I fill out a ride-along application. I did just that but was informed Undersheriff Randy Peshon denied my ride-along. Why am I not surprised by the ensuing conversation with Sgt. Bears? **(See Exhibit B)**

3. *Have you ever filed any lawsuits, threatened any lawsuits, or said "I'm going to sue you?"*

Funny how often this question keeps coming up in relation to EDSO. Most recently Sean asked this during my CCW interrogation January 7th. My answer is consistently the same: ***No I have not.*** However it should be mentioned I've had the benefit of working closely with legal experts in both the private and public sectors providing me in depth knowledge and confidence in the exercise of my civil liberties. I suppose some may perceive my experience and confidence to be a threat to the "status quo" of "business as usual" in EDC.

I suggest you specifically watch the Public Comment portion of Item # 32 during the 1/12/16 BOS meeting. Consent and Open Forum are equally compelling and will provide further insight into the significance of this correspondence. **(See Exhibit C)**

By the way, I understand from Sean my background check was received by EDSO on October 21st and my CCW permit was approved January 7th. Can you please explain why I have to wait five weeks until February 16th for a five minute appointment with EDSO Records just to pick up my approved CCW permit?

I'm confident the Sheriff is concerned about restoring public confidence in law enforcement. When may I expect to hear from you about finalizing these investigations and restoring my right to communicate with EDSO?

Sincerely,

Melody Lane

Enclosures:

- Exhibit A – 11/12/14 County Counsel Agenda
- Exhibit B – November 2015 Ride Along transcripts
- Exhibit C – 1/12/16 BOS Open Forum Transcript

Opinion: EDC legal counsel giving bad advice

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By Larry Weitzman

I have read hundreds of legal arguments in my life, maybe thousands, but on Feb. 5 I read one of the most specious and poorly supported “legal arguments ever” and it was from our newly appointed interim County Counsel Michael Ciccozzi. It was as if he were arguing before the Supreme Court of the United States and he cited a small claims court decision from Ryegate, Mont., as the legal authority behind his case. In this case, Ciccozzi was attempting to defend the employment contract of our interim CAO Larry T. Combs that appears to have violated important Government Code sections.

Combs’ contract problem stems from executing an employment contract that didn’t meet the requirements of CalPERS as explained in my [recent column](#). CalPERS has strict requirements to prevent double dipping of a CalPERS annuitant, such as Combs. It was public pressure from citizens who were outraged at public officials making \$200,000 a year in retirement benefits, like Combs, and then getting another similar job effectively doubling their income. Poor Mr. Combs because of the double dipping laws is only pulling down \$300K annually. Those requirements are spelled out in Government Code Sections 21221 (h) and 21224. Two of those requirements are that an open recruitment for CAO is required before signing such a contract and that the contract have an end date.

Printed below the fold on the front page of the *Mountain Democrat* on Feb. 5 and titled “CAO contract details questioned” the news story quoted Ciccozzi who cited “a more recent CalPERS publication (April 2015) titled ‘Employment After Retirement.’” Ciccozzi wrote that the more recent document “does not require that the employment requirements of a retired annuitant include a specified end date or that the appointment be during an open recruitment.”

First, I have rarely seen a more misleading statement by a lawyer with the intent to deceive the public. While he found a CalPERS 10 page, double spaced pamphlet which listed some of the requirements for employment of retired annuitants, it didn’t list them all. But it did list all CalPERS offices and phone numbers, allowing easy access for questions. It was not a legal document nor intended to be a legal document, and it, therefore, has no legal force. It did not supersede or replace Government Code Section 21221(h), which still has the requirements of an open recruitment being required before Combs’ hiring as well as an end date in the contract. The claim that Ciccozzi implies, by the informational pamphlet, since it is later in time than the CalPERS advisory circular or the code sections, that the law has been superseded by the pamphlet and code section requirement of having an open recruitment and no end date in the contract is no longer required. Nothing could be further from the truth, GCS 21221(h) et seq. is still the law.

For Ciccozzi, that becomes a multiple edged sword. Any real defense claiming there was an open recruitment ongoing at the time the contract was executed and having an end date is now out the window as Ciccozzi says the law didn’t require that according to his “pamphlet law” and Ciccozzi knows that. His statement becomes a tacit admission that the county did not have an open recruitment or end date as required by Government Code Section 21221(h), the law as codified before and after the date of the Combs’ contract and as set forth in the current California Code. Combs’ contract speaks for itself as to having an end date. It doesn’t have one.

Trying to cover all his bases in the *Mountain Democrat* story, Ciccozzi said, “The contract will terminate when Combs reaches 960 hours in the fiscal year.” But if Combs works 959 hours in every fiscal year, it will never

terminate so the contract is not of limited duration and still violates the code section. Code section 21221(h) still requires both contract requirements that Ciccozzi says don't exist anymore even though he speaks with a forked tongue.

Ciccozzi's cited pamphlet is not the law, was not published as a legal document and advised readers to call or check with the nearly dozen CalPERS offices throughout the state whose addresses are listed in the back of the pamphlet along with the CalPERS phone number listed prominently on every other page of the pamphlet and Ciccozzi must be aware of that.

Additionally, even after claiming an open recruitment is not required by his "pamphlet authority," Ciccozzi states pursuant to the code section the interim appointment is to be made "during recruitment for a permanent appointment" and not necessarily during an open recruitment. Perhaps Ciccozzi should read EDC personnel rules, which say without question, "All recruitment announcements will be posted on the county's website and other appropriate locations for a minimum of five days." There was no posting on the county website or anywhere else for a permanent CAO on or before this contract was executed. His statements and/or emails as published in the *Mountain Democrat* are misleading and false. Ciccozzi's only defense will be "it depends on what the definition of 'is' is."

Ciccozzi now has acquired other problems and the Board of Supervisors needs to take notice. As a lawyer you swear an oath to uphold the law of the state. For whatever reason Ciccozzi chose to misstate the law, the purpose of which is obvious, i.e., to make it appear Combs' contract is CalPERS compliant. But by doing so he also fails his employer, the EDC Board of Supervisors who need to know the law and their exposure.

With his statements in the *Mountain Democrat* the BOS has been misled about the law from their own highest ranking lawyer. That is unacceptable behavior and the BOS needs to deal with that immediately. Maybe Ciccozzi thinks that is what the BOS wants to hear or maybe he is attempting to cover for his ex-boss Robyn Drivon, who should have not approved the Combs' contract considering the requirements of the law. It's hard to say why Ciccozzi did what he did, but as to whatever he says in the future, will it be believable?

But whatever he says, he may have already violated his State Bar duty, part of which is "to support the Constitution and the laws of the United States and of this state." Perhaps we will find out. This not the first time for Ciccozzi misstating the law. This just appears to be a persistent pattern of practice.

"Integrity without knowledge is weak and useless, knowledge without integrity is dangerous and dreadful." — Samuel Johnson, (1709-1784) Rasselas, ch. 41

Larry Weitzman is a resident of Rescue.

Audio Recorded

Wednesday November 12, 2014 @ 10:00 AM

Robyn Drivon/Paula Franz

Larry Weitzman present

- I. CPRAs - FOIA
 - A. CAO - Ross Branch
 - B. Process - Coordination, logging, tracking
 - C. Spreadsheet Discrepancies
 - D. EDSO

- II. Brown Act – Bagley Keene Act Violations
 - A. BOS Agendas
 - B. Censoring/minimizing info.
 - C. Technical Difficulties

- III. Obstacles - Bureaucratic Shenanigans
 - A. Communication breakdown
 - B. Resolution 113-95 v. AB1234
 - C. Fees - Paper v. electronic copies or CD
 - D. Code/Law Enforcement inconsistencies
 - E. Diverted responses/lack of response

- IV. Solutions – Follow up
 - A. 10/21 CPRA presentation – publish CPRAs to government website?
 - B. Transparency/Accountability
 - C. Right-to-know v. media blackout

8/3/15 RMAC Meeting

Parks & Recreation – Vickie Sanders

I. Personnel Issues

- A. Noah Rucker
- B. RMAC minutes/Brown Act violations/Audio recordings
- C. Conspiracy/harassment/discrimination
- D. Remedial action

II. Next RMAC Meeting

- A. Rescheduled Date?
- B. May 2010 Brown Act – Ciccozzi/Briggs/Mtn. Demo
- C. Wording of agenda > Bullying
- D. EDSO

J. Sweeney Open Forum BAS 5/5/15

Statement to Board of Supervisors at Open Forum by James R. "Jack" Sweeney Date May 5, 2015

Subject:: County Property at Chili Bar

On March 12, 2015 the American River Conservancy (ARC) advertised that they were seeking a Park Aide to work at Chili Bar. This raised my curiosity and prompted the following remarks. It also raises the question as to whether the ARC disregards the authority of the County and if they will continue to get away with such disregard?

When the American River Conservancy sold the property to the County all previous reserved rights merged and no rights were reserved upon that sale. Hence, the ARC retained absolutely no authority nor authorization to remain on the property. Since that sale, the ARC has been squatting on the Public Property owned by the County. ARC refused agreements for occupancy offered by the County.

Unless there has been an agreement made between the County and ARC since January 2013, they are still squatters and should not be offering employment on County Property. I have not seen any such agreement on the open public agenda! The County should immediately stop ARC from using Chili Bar or reach an appropriate agreement that is considered through the public agenda process.

While this matter was rising to the filing of a lawsuit, the County DOT Staff had reached a solution that would have been amicable to all parties; the Board was not given that solution!

The County is already involved in one lawsuit over the ARC misuse of Chili Bar and has countersued for use of an easement to which the County has absolutely no rights.

The County should withdraw the countersuit for the easement; I consider that action to be inappropriate and/or illegal!

The County should settle the original suit out of court.

I would be willing to work with the County to seek these solutions!

The case is Wade v. County of El Dorado and American River Conservancy PC20120264

James R Sweeney

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Eminent Domain
Harassment
Noah Rucker