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Tehama County Planning Department
Att: George Robson, Planning Director
444 Oak St., Room I
Red Bluff, CA 96080

Re: General Plan Revision Update. Comments to the October/November Drafts

Dear Mr. Robson:

My apologies for missing the December 7th Tehama County General Plan Revision Advisory Group meeting to discuss the Draft General Plan. A conflict in scheduling prevented me from attending. However, I continue to be interested as an active member of the advisory group.

Below are my comments on the Tehama County Administrative Draft General Plan as published November 2006, and the Draft Background Report for the County of Tehama General Plan Update, dated October 2006.

I am available for contact, if you need any further input into the plan. I can be contacted at;

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Comments to Tehama County Administrative Draft General Plan

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	General Comment	Include a description and discussion of lands in the county designated as wilderness by U.S. Congress	This is an important land use designation that should be identified in the Plan and Background document. Congressionally designated wilderness is administered by both U.S. Forest Service and National Park Service agencies. Wilderness is identified in some maps, but this is based on a county definition of wilderness

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			which is not representative of wilderness designated through the National Wilderness Preservation Act criteria.
	Historic	Include that the Lassen Volcanic National Park Highway (National Park Service administered) designated and managed by the National Park Service as a historic district. As listed in the NPS Cultural Landscapes Inventory in 2002.	This is an important designation that has planning, construction, and resource management implications on all activities in and near this area.
2-13	Land Use-Timber-General Uses	Include outdoor recreation as a land use in this area	
2-19	Non Jurisdictional-Public	Include Lassen Volcanic National Park in the list of examples	
Fig 2.0.7 and 2.0.8	Maps	The locations of these two maps have been transposed. Also, provide a key to the color designations on all maps	
2-39	Policy W-1-5-4	Include Lassen Volcanic National Park Wilderness	This is a congressionally designated wilderness and should be identified as such along with those already listed
4-2	Recreational Facilities	Include a discussion of the recreational facilities and opportunities found in federal lands within the county	
6-2	Air Quality	Include that Lassen Volcanic National Park is classified as a Class 1 airshed.	This is a significant classification that requires identification in the Plan
6-4	Historic	Include that Mineral Headquarters Historic District (National Park Service administered) is designated and managed by the National Park Service as a historic district. As listed in the NPS Cultural Landscapes Inventory in 2002.	This is an important designation that has planning, construction, and resource management implications on all activities in and near this area.
6-18	Policy OS-7.1	Substitute the word <i>from</i> with the word <i>for</i> . Such as, significant scenic viewsheds <i>for</i> public...;	
8-3	Wildland Fire Protection	Include the National Park Service as an agency that has fire suppression responsibility in lands designated by the NPS	Similar to USFS, the National Park Service is also responsible for fire suppression on lands assigned to the NPS.

Comments to the Draft Background Report for the County of Tehama General Plan Update

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2-2	Agencies with Permitting Authority	Include the National Park Service as an agency having permitting authority	National Park Service-As a bureau of the U.S. Department of Interior, the Park Superintendent (of Lassen Volcanic National Park) has Congressionally legislated authority to grant permits for a range of activities affecting the lands administered by Lassen Volcanic National Park Permits are issued for the preservation and protection of NPS lands, and for the public's enjoyment of these lands.
2-18	Mineral	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Background Report</i></p> <p>... the ... Bluff, approximately 65 miles southwest.</p>	
5-2	SR-89	Incorrect road title	Change road title from Lassen National Park Road, to Lassen Volcanic National Park Highway.
7-6	Educational System	Include Antelope School District	After including this school district, the enrollment total may need to be revised.
7-12	Bibliography	Change spelling of name from <i>Chris Jones</i> to <i>Cris Jones</i>	
8B-1	Existing Setting-Air Pollution	Include that Lassen Volcanic National Park is designated as a Class 1 Airshed	This is an important distinction that has implications on development, permitting, and management of air quality.

Terminology Corrections

Several locations incorrectly title Lassen Volcanic National Park. Included here is a partial listing of the location names needing correction. I suggest that a software global search and replace be performed on both documents to ensure that all titles are corrected.

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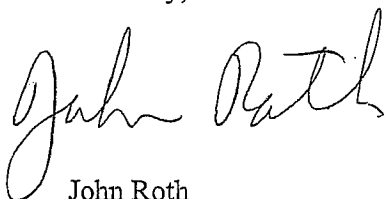
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6-3		Incorrect title	Correct title is Lassen Volcanic National Park
6-9	Bibliography	Incorrect title	Correct title is Lassen Volcanic National Park
7-3		Incorrect title	Correct title is Lassen Volcanic National Park
8E-13		Incorrect title	Correct title is Lassen Volcanic National Park

Map Corrections

Nearly all maps show State Route 89 as extending into Lassen Volcanic National Park. This is incorrect in that SR-89 stops at the southern (in Tehama County) and northern (in Shasta County) boundaries of park. The roadway that travels through the park is titled *Lassen Volcanic National Park Highway*. This is an important distinction in that no state or county funds are used to manage and maintain that portion of roadway within the park.

Map Figure 6-1 in the Background document can serve as a good example of an acceptable way to map the road.

Sincerely,



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Chief Ranger