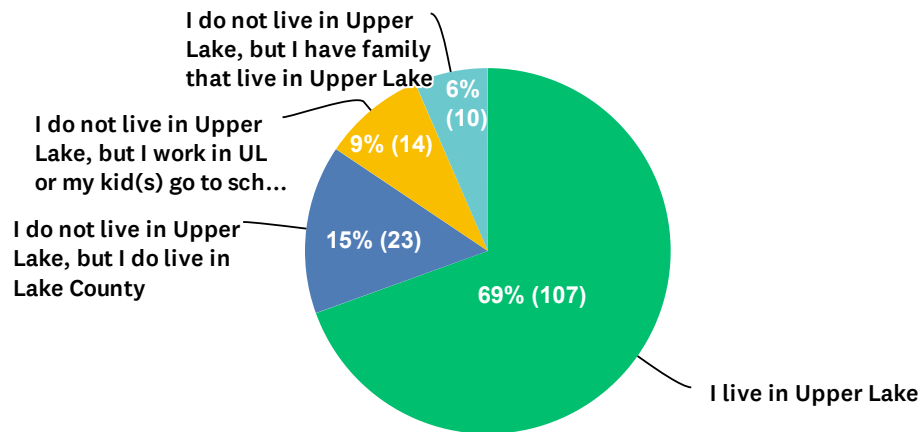


Q1 Select the option that best describes your relationship to Upper Lake, CA

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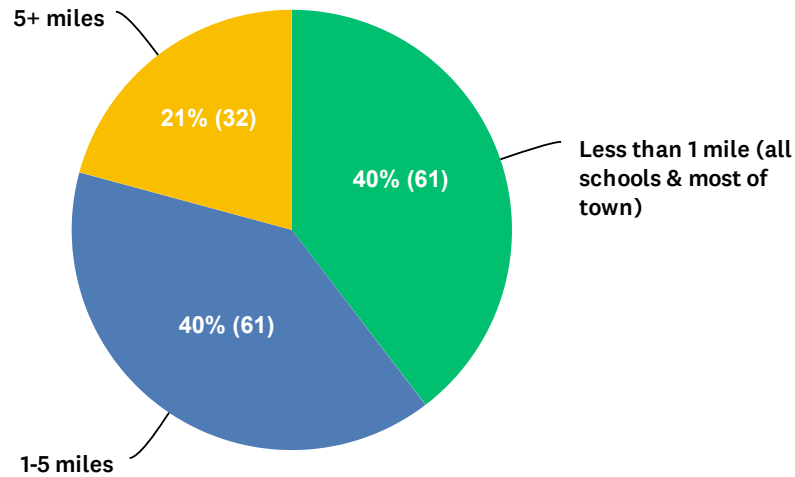


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I live in Upper Lake	69%	107
I do not live in Upper Lake, but I do live in Lake County	15%	23
I do not live in Upper Lake, but I work in UL or my kid(s) go to school in Upper Lake	9%	14
I do not live in Upper Lake, but I have family that live in Upper Lake	6%	10
TOTAL		154

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY):	DATE
1	I went to school there from K-12th grade and live in Nice.	11/19/2025 7:53 PM
2	I live in Nice/Upper Lake.	11/3/2025 9:59 AM
3	My great grand children go to Upper LAKE Elementary School	10/28/2025 7:59 PM
4	2 mi by road, unk as a bird flys or smoke goes	10/27/2025 1:39 PM
5	Live in Nice for 43 years	10/27/2025 7:34 AM
6	My kids and there dad live in upper lake and go to school and wrk there I also lived in upperlake for 20 yrs	10/26/2025 4:05 PM
7	I live above upper lake in the Mendocino national Forest	10/26/2025 2:33 PM
8	Item 4 applies could only choose 1	10/26/2025 2:17 PM
9	Upper Lake is my home town. I live in Nice now	10/26/2025 1:14 PM
10	Grandparents of children that attend Upper Lake schools	10/26/2025 12:51 PM

Q2 How far do you live from the proposed project site at 755 E. Hwy 20, Upper Lake, CA? (“As the crow flies” - Not miles by car)

Answered: 154 Skipped: 0

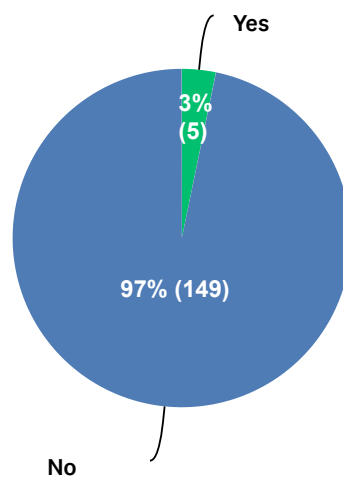


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than 1 mile (all schools & most of town)	40%	61
1-5 miles	40%	61
5+ miles	21%	32
TOTAL		154

Q3 The proposed BioEnergy project would allow Scotts Valley Energy Corporation to build a wood processing, biochar and syngas production facility on 42.6 acres of prime agricultural land at 755 E. Hwy 20 in Upper Lake. The land was purchased by the County with taxpayer funds to restore the wetlands around Rodman Slough for the Middle Creek Restoration project. The County leased the land to SVEC for \$100/year for this 15+ year BioEnergy project.

Do you think this is the right location for this project?

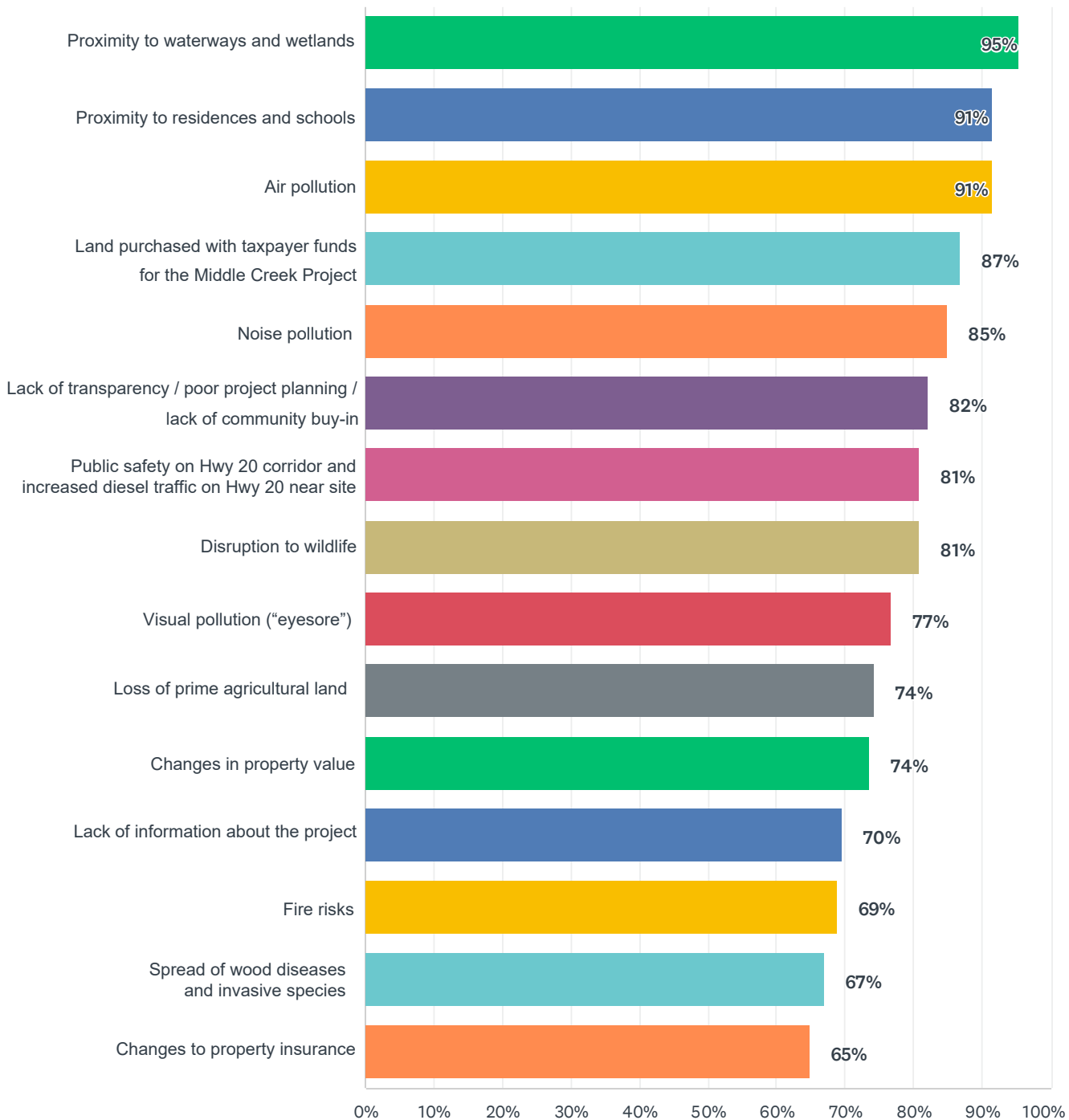
Answered: 154 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	3%	5
No	97%	149
TOTAL		154

Q4 Please mark all of your concerns about this project:

Answered: 151 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Proximity to waterways and wetlands	95%	144
Proximity to residences and schools	91%	138
Air pollution	91%	138
Land purchased with taxpayer funds for Middle Creek Project	87%	131
Noise pollution	85%	128
Lack of transparency / poor project planning / lack of community buy-in	82%	124
Public safety on Hwy 20 corridor and increased diesel traffic on Hwy 20 near site	81%	122
Disruption to wildlife	81%	122
Visual pollution ("eyesore")	77%	116
Loss of prime agricultural land	74%	112
Changes in property value	74%	111
Lack of information about the project	70%	105
Fire risks	69%	104
Spread of wood diseases and invasive species	67%	101
Changes to property insurance	65%	98
Total Respondents: 151		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY):	DATE
1	All of the above	11/26/2025 9:31 PM
2	Lack of early transparency	11/26/2025 9:22 PM
3	Don't spend my tax money	11/26/2025 7:52 AM
4	Information about the project is not being brought to the public	11/25/2025 3:35 PM
5	All the information provided on this project has been proven to be false and inaccurate	11/24/2025 7:06 AM
6	Additional truck traffic wearing down highway 29	11/21/2025 2:34 AM
7	Risk of health issues for all people, sick or well.	11/19/2025 7:53 PM
8	Too many Scummy Libtards on the North Shore tweaker thief land.	11/3/2025 1:09 PM
9	Polution to the lake	10/28/2025 8:39 AM
10	Project Manager — Tom Jordan /credibility	10/27/2025 5:47 PM
11	Shifting from biochar to syngas, entirely and ever changing project. The applicant has changed its name and products, provided false information and dishonestly submitted documents on letterhead from firms without their knowledge. The applicant is untrustworthy and likely to violate any and all terms of permit conditions.	10/27/2025 11:10 AM
12	I think the County representative that signed the contract, with total disregard for the requirement, knew what he was doing when the contract was signed. It's my understanding that one of the supervisors, at the time of signing, questioned Scott DeLeon and was told it was fine. The town of Upper Lake was kept in the dark about the sale of the property, and until the destruction of the grape vines etc, nothing had been said.	10/27/2025 10:47 AM
13	Not in Upper Lake, go to another location	10/26/2025 10:00 PM

Note: Comments from respondents that marked 'Yes' on Q3 were highlighted; all others Q3='No'

14	All of the above, Hell no	10/26/2025 6:42 PM
15	It'll make the whole place STINK!!	10/26/2025 6:35 PM
16	The shady way this was being pushed through.	10/26/2025 5:51 PM
17	The missing \$14 million that hasn't been accounted for and documented.	10/26/2025 4:34 PM
18	This is just not the right location. Upper lake is a beautiful town with lots of tourist potential. This project will kill the town.	10/26/2025 2:33 PM
19	And it is illegal to use grant money to purchase for a specific reason and then use the land for something else ILLEGAL	10/26/2025 2:32 PM
20	False information about project	10/26/2025 2:16 PM
21	The criminals who put this illegal deal together at the county should all be arrested and prosecuted for fraud, malfeasance. We need a trustworthy agency from outside California to prosecute all of them.	10/26/2025 1:05 PM
22	Long term health risks	10/26/2025 12:51 PM
23	No EIR	10/26/2025 12:40 PM

Q5 Please provide a comment we can share with the Board of Supervisors regarding your feelings about this project in Upper Lake. You can include your name or remain anonymous. Thank you.

Answered: 103 Skipped: 51

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	This project should not be happening when taxpayers were told the funds would be used to restore wetlands. I consider it deceptive and wrong on the part of the County.	11/26/2025 9:36 PM
2	Do not want project	11/26/2025 9:31 PM
3	Don Brackett	11/26/2025 9:28 PM
4	Did not inform local residents kept out of the loop.	11/26/2025 9:24 PM
5	Where was our Supervisor?	11/26/2025 9:22 PM
6	No Biochar	11/26/2025 9:18 PM
7	For all of the reasons specified in #4, I am categorically opposed to the proposed project in Upper Lake.	11/26/2025 3:27 PM
8	Not something that Upperlake or lake county needs.	11/26/2025 11:18 AM
9	We don't need this in our town	11/26/2025 8:16 AM
10	Don't spend my tax money on this	11/26/2025 7:52 AM
11	None of the money from this would be spent in the county it will be spent outside of lake county	11/25/2025 3:35 PM
12	I am concerned with the safety and health of the public especially children and the elderly. It is not good for our community.	11/25/2025 2:40 PM
13	Please clean up and provide green space walking biking to public put our tax dollars used to public space	11/25/2025 2:04 PM
14	There is a Biochar in Napa. Why not invest in that one	11/24/2025 9:22 AM
15	It's very hard understanding why you would put something like this so close to town. With past history of things like this does not bode well for families, health, kids, health and just local community. Highway 20 is already a hot mess coming through Upper Lake that would not make it any better.	11/24/2025 7:10 AM
16	Nothing about this project is legitimate. The proposal is fake using information from other projects. This land was designated for other uses and has failed to be protected and used properly. There are waterways and wildlife that would be greatly affected. It should have never got as far as it did and is obviously about money, corruption, and greed. The people involved should be ashamed of themselves.	11/24/2025 7:06 AM
17	Its not a bad idea just a really bad location.	11/23/2025 2:32 PM
18	The project is a pilot project that is only intended to remain in place for a fixed number of years (5,10,15) after which it will have to reapply for continued operation. The project was studied under CEQA guidelines and appropriate mitigations for less-than-substantial impacts were included in the MND and staff report. Implications of stealthy tactics conducted by the proponent include suggestions that the Tribal enterprise is somehow benefiting from unfair taxation and the project will not contribute to the benefit of the community. These insinuations are unhealthy and punitive in nature, given that the land on which we live was stolen from indigenous peoples in the first place, and the benefits to the whole community from reduced fire risk are congruent with the county's wildfire prevention priorities. Please deny the appeal and allow the project to proceed as planned. (Please also ensure that the agreements made by	11/22/2025 8:12 AM

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the County for protection of the wetlands and removal of previous ownership debris is completed and the wildlife corridor is protected as well. The project is in a commercial / light industrial zone and proximate to other such businesses, aligned with the Upper Lake - Nice Area Plan.

19	I am an elementary school teacher in the Upper Lake community, and I strongly oppose the proposed AG Forest Wood Processing Bioenergy Project at 755 E. Hwy 20. My primary concern is the health and safety of our children. Students are one of the most vulnerable populations when it comes to air pollution, especially particulate matter and emissions from industrial wood-processing and the increased truck traffic a facility like this would require. Children breathe faster, have developing lungs, and are more likely to suffer long-term health impacts from poor air quality, including asthma, respiratory infections, reduced lung function, and cardiovascular risks later in life. The small number of jobs promised cannot outweigh the risk this facility poses to thousands of students, their families, school staff, and our elderly community members. There is no appropriate justification for placing an industrial emissions source so close to schools, homes, and areas where children regularly play and learn. While wildfire prevention and forest management are important, this facility does not provide independently verifiable evidence that it will reduce wildfire risk, protect forests, or lower carbon emissions. Without clear metrics, enforceable protections, and transparent health impact studies, approving the project places our community—and especially our youth—at risk. I urge the Board of Supervisors to deny this proposal or, at minimum, demand a comprehensive, independent public health and air-quality impact review, including a children-specific risk assessment, before any consideration of approval. Our community's children deserve to breathe clean air and grow up safe in the town where they live and go to school.	11/21/2025 10:29 PM
20	This in no way is a safe location, for people or wild life. It's too close to our schools in Upperlake. The impact on the surrounding environmental will be greatly impacted. I am against this project. Deeann Temple	11/21/2025 7:56 PM
21	We don't need or want this in our little town or Lake County!!!	11/21/2025 3:00 PM
22	This land was purchased for the sole purpose of removing the established vineyard that was on the property and other properties purchased for the removal of any structures to accommodate for the Middle Creek Restoration Project, not intended for future lease or sale purposes for development or industrial use, misuse of Grant Funding, said property should remain as bare land as intended.	11/21/2025 1:08 PM
23	Leave Upper Lake alone!!!!	11/21/2025 5:07 AM
24	This is going against general plan and hwy beautification by	11/21/2025 2:34 AM
25	I do not want this 3.4 miles from my home. My kids schools or near the parks my kids play in. And it will drastically reduce my property value. Not happy.	11/20/2025 7:15 PM
26	This whole project reeks with fraud.	11/20/2025 4:56 PM
27	Think about our future and children. Health should always come first. PERIOD!	11/20/2025 4:46 PM
28	What do we get out of this? \$100 a year? Is this a joke? If we were to actually profit from this in some way, shouldn't it be located somewhere else, like where "the Oasis" used to be?	11/20/2025 4:34 PM
29	This will ruin our community.	11/20/2025 2:24 PM
30	This project does not belong in Upper Lake.	11/20/2025 12:45 PM
31	The invasion of a sanctioned natural area close to home, schools and community will be a great disadvantage to this community.	11/20/2025 11:44 AM
32	Not ok to build this 😡	11/20/2025 8:58 AM
33	Not the right place for this project	11/20/2025 8:30 AM
34	Citizen Lake County I'm very concerned about using taxpayer dollars earmarked for environmental purposes for a business that does the complete opposite. There's been a lack of transparency about environmental impacts, noise, pollution, and traffic concerns. This is not the place for industrial bills. It is a place for environmental conservatorship. I do not support or agree with the projects approval. We should be doing more as the county to protect our natural resources. Amelia Smithson	11/20/2025 7:54 AM
35	this is not what the county purchased the property for. This is not wetland restoration. Literally	11/20/2025 7:30 AM

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this is a bait and switch with no regard for wetland restoration. This cannot be even considered.

36	This project is a sham that is being forced on the town of Upper Lake, nearby residents, and schools. It is unbelievable and shocking the county has not stopped this project! Politics is a brutal business and Upper Lake residents should not suffer due to greed and clearly shady business dealings that are clearly involved with this project.	11/20/2025 4:06 AM
37	This project is an industrial use. It is inappropriate to locate an industrial use on agricultural land near residences. Upper Lake is Lake County's best shot at increasing tourism. This project would degrade the charming small town character of Upper Lake and have negative impacts on tourism.	11/20/2025 3:21 AM
38	How do you plan to continuously monitor air quality?	11/19/2025 9:08 PM
39	If you look at places like this around the country and the environmental impact and impact to people living in the areas, not healthy. This is less than a mile from all level of schools in the area.	11/19/2025 8:08 PM
40	Why don't they tax payers get the option to lease it for \$100 a year!	11/19/2025 7:40 PM
41	This is not what this land should be used for.	11/19/2025 7:25 PM
42	Wrong place	11/19/2025 5:29 PM
43	I lived here my whole life to see this every day would be an eye sore and pollute the air	11/19/2025 2:07 PM
44	I live right next door I have kids and animals	11/19/2025 12:02 PM
45	I was born and raised in Upper Lake not far from this proposed project. It is not going to do anything but harm the community. This never should have even been considered due to countless problems	11/19/2025 10:57 AM
46	Lake county has clean air. If that changes, I will move out of the country. Being as I am a homeowner and registered nurse, I don't think I am the type of person you want moving out of the county.	11/10/2025 7:17 AM
47	More jobs more industry less thieves n welfare libtards.	11/3/2025 1:09 PM
48	This is the wrong place to put this!!!	11/3/2025 9:59 AM
49	Upper Lake is known for being a quiet gem in Lake County. This project would bring noise, pollution, and increase traffic danger on our already mismanaged and dangerous highway 20. This highway sees death upon death due to high pedestrian traffic already in this area. Adding additional large trucks would do nothing to increase pedestrian safety.	10/29/2025 8:25 PM
50	This proposal threatens the health and well being of UL residents and surrounding towns. Health is residents should come before greed.	10/28/2025 4:26 PM
51	Only 1/2 mile from my residence. Scary	10/28/2025 2:00 PM
52	This location for a brochure facility is completely absurd. It should be against the law for the county to buy out property for restoration, and then turn it around and lease it for something else. The proposed project is right next to a creek that runs to the lake. All of the proposed project designs were drawn up by the same individual who is not licensed to do any of it. How can the county actually reasonably approve this project. Listen to the voice of the community. We don't want a brochure facility in our town!!!	10/28/2025 8:39 AM
53	My name is Jordan LaRue I'm a long time Lake County Resident, and I cannot believe the county is even considering this, especially after buying the land to preserve it. There are many other batter suited locations for such a plant. I think progress and industry are good, but not at the expense of delicate ecosystems and preserved land. We can ride dirt bikes any where near the creek at cow mountain because of the hitch but you're going to allow an entire INDUSTRIAL PLANT to be built in our ever diminishing wetlands?! Please, stop it now. It's a step we cannot come back from.	10/28/2025 5:20 AM
54	Everything about this is wrong. Making a deal with an out of area Tribe in between two local Tribes is wrong. The County has a responsibility to the land and people and passing this through would fail on both ends.	10/27/2025 5:47 PM
55	Why are you donating land purchased with tax payer money?	10/27/2025 2:13 PM

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56	Good farmland should be farmed, with current ways our government is going we may very well need to grow food, not smoke	10/27/2025 1:39 PM
57	I have lived in Upper Lake for 25 years, something like this is not going to help our community, only hurt it!	10/27/2025 11:53 AM
58	The applicants have demonstrated dishonesty throughout this process and are not to be trusted. Senior mobile home park with many sensitive receptors a stone's throw away, beneath the inversion layer at the low point of our air basin. A hard no.	10/27/2025 11:10 AM
59	this is the wrong location for this project	10/27/2025 8:52 AM
60	Proposed biochar generation units will create literal tons of wood ash/year per spec sheet. No plans for disposal/mitigation.	10/27/2025 7:53 AM
61	The land was purchased by county taxpayer money for a wetlands project. Allowing commercial operation on that property defeats the purpose of restoring wetlands. It would be a misappropriation of funds for the original purpose that you bought it. That is very deceptive to the taxpayers of Lake County.	10/27/2025 7:22 AM
62	Biochar will have negative health, environmental, and agricultural impacts. It will release dozens of pollutants along with toxins and heavy metals into the water, soil, and air.	10/27/2025 7:14 AM
63	A project like this should be done on privately owned land that is zoned accordingly. Like any business SVEC should acquire their own land, pay market price, and not be allowed to utilize county land for free basically while in turn increasing profits. The simple fact that the land wasn't publicly offered for lease is a crime in itself. Can I lease county land for business development for \$100 per year, NO!	10/27/2025 6:57 AM
64	I don't feel this is the right location for this project	10/27/2025 4:25 AM
65	I moved here 2 yrs ago and bought a house. The air here is clean. I will sue the county if this project messes up our air here. The county will regret the headaches that they will get if this project goes forward.	10/27/2025 4:15 AM
66	Put your industrial project on lands zoned for industrial use.	10/26/2025 11:26 PM
67	Go to a less populated area. This is going to be a eyesore.	10/26/2025 10:00 PM
68	The biochar project is two scams in one. The first scam is Woodbridge energy is essentially a fake company trying to legitimize itself with non-existent corporate officers and technology it's never used before. It's a 21st century version of The Rainmaker scam being foisted upon the people of Lake County. The second scam is the Community Development trying to sell or lease land it does not have the legal authority to sell or lease. The County cannot sell or lease the land unless they have permission from the state and the state has not given the County permission. This is a 21st century version of the Brooklyn Bridge scam.	10/26/2025 9:43 PM
69	HELL NO	10/26/2025 6:42 PM
70	Find somewhere away from population and also away from a pristine nature area. Can you put that thing in upper lake you'll be screwing up big time. And it will mess up what tourism life there is.	10/26/2025 6:35 PM
71	A biochar project is not necessarily bad, but this one is in a bad location. The terms of the grant used to purchased the project land must be followed: conservation easement must be placed and the land can't be leased without the state's permission--according to grant terms.	10/26/2025 6:24 PM
72	It is inappropriate to put this facility so close to people's work, school and homes. We suffer while someone's pockets are being filled. I have asthma and thus will force me to sell my home and move. I love it here.	10/26/2025 5:51 PM
73	I grew up in upper lake and have family that currently reside. Taking away from the small country town as well as adding unnecessary pollution. Not a good idea. Please reconsider.	10/26/2025 5:40 PM
74	This project is bad for our community. Bad for our children and the future of Upper Lake!	10/26/2025 5:39 PM
75	It's ridiculous they used taxpayer funds without taxpayer appro	10/26/2025 5:11 PM
76	Finally an employment opportunity for the area.	10/26/2025 4:48 PM

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77	Supervisor Crandell has ignored representing Upper Lake completely on the BioChar plant. Please listen to the residents of Upper Lake. THIS PROJECT DOES NOT AND SHOULD NOT BE LOCATED IN UPPER LAKE FOR ALL OF THE ABOVE REASONS IN ITEM 4!	10/26/2025 4:34 PM
78	The fact that it does not bring many jobs to the community does not make sense with the noise pollution it is going to give off	10/26/2025 4:19 PM
79	Wrong location...	10/26/2025 4:11 PM
80	This project will do nothing for the town and potentially a lot of negative effects extremely irresponsible planning as usual	10/26/2025 3:58 PM
81	Who's making money from this? Why not control burn and manage forest land in place? There's already one of these plants in Scott's valley, why not send more material there or expand that plant rather than build an additional facility? I haven't heard from a single person who believes this would be in the best interest of the community it would impact.	10/26/2025 3:26 PM
82	Tribes have or can acquire their own land for this type of industry, this ag land was purchased for a specific purpose for returning to bare land, it should be left at that and NOT changed for other uses.	10/26/2025 3:14 PM
83	I think this is a horrible idea for our community, children and livelihood. Its dangerous and we don't want it.	10/26/2025 3:14 PM
84	Why would we wanna risk one of our best fishing exploring areas in Lake County? We live here. These people do not. Please don't do this on that property. Thank you.	10/26/2025 3:05 PM
85	Build it somewhere else tryna come in and cause pollution	10/26/2025 3:03 PM
86	I live across the hwy from there i do not want it next to my house and property. I have walnut trees that i do not want possibly be infected. Daniel Gard	10/26/2025 3:03 PM
87	Too close to SCHOOLS and TOWN!	10/26/2025 2:59 PM
88	Too many reasons against the plant being built and used on this property.	10/26/2025 2:53 PM
89	This is ridiculous and I am Firmly against this disaster in our Little Agriculture Town	10/26/2025 2:43 PM
90	This project will be the death of tourism in upper lake. Find a more appropriate location geared to industry. NOT TOURISM! (Lloyd Seevers)	10/26/2025 2:33 PM
91	What you up continuing to push through is noticed And recognized by the citizens of Lake County that this is completely illegal. All residents in Upper Lake watching exactly what their supervisor is doing conducting illegal activity and may not be supported in the next election. There was no value in putting the residences of Upper Lake at risk to fire damage. When there are fire department only runs Monday through Friday.	10/26/2025 2:32 PM
92	Saying No! To this project here is the right decision. Even if it starts smaller, they will want More, take more. It can't be undone, if it is started. It would, will be a giant black mark on this little town. Literally. Just traffic, trucks, alone, would make this a nightmare. Its bad enough with our two lanes in the county. So many accidents, and distracted drivers. That area is prime for a big fat mess regularly, if this plant entry is right here. There are other places to put this Biochar. AND, MUCH MORE APPROPRIATELY, WAY OUT OF A TOWN THANK YOU. HOPEFULLY YOU WILL ALL SEE THIS BIOCHAR DOESN'T BELONG HERE AND VOTE IT DOWN. DO THE RIGHT THING, PLEASE. From Upper Lake Lifer, Senior	10/26/2025 2:32 PM
93	This project was a terrible idea that definitely does not have the community of Upper Lake in the Vision. Should not be built in close proximity to schools, watershed, residential. It was bought with Taxpayer money to preserve the Wetlands and this is the opposite of that.	10/26/2025 2:23 PM
94	What about this project makes you think it's appropriate	10/26/2025 2:17 PM
95	This project is not in line with what this plot of land was intended to be used for.	10/26/2025 2:16 PM
96	This project is NOT qualified or SAFE to be considered!!! NO TO Biochar!!	10/26/2025 1:54 PM
97	Living in such close proximity really makes me uncomfortable. It's the absolute worst location, there are significant accountability to taxpayers from a fiscal perspective. The entire project needs to be stopped, correct the convenient omissions (as set forth per conditions of original terms of sale).	10/26/2025 1:43 PM

98	Larry Kahn	10/26/2025 1:30 PM
99	The criminals who put this illegal deal together at the county should all be arrested and prosecuted for fraud, malfeasance. We need a trustworthy agency from outside California to prosecute all of them.	10/26/2025 1:05 PM
100	I'm most concerned about the location close to schools. Air pollution and long term exposure. Very concerned about my grandchildren's safety and health. I feel this is not the right location.	10/26/2025 12:51 PM
101	Please enforce the grant requirements and come into compliance	10/26/2025 12:40 PM
102	The lot was purchased to protect n restore wetlands and was specific in the purchase that it was not for development	10/26/2025 12:26 PM
103	I'm against this project. The project manager is a fraud and use the SV Tribe to receive grants to fill his and his out of county partners pockets with the grant money received for the tribes projects.	10/26/2025 12:10 PM