

Timber Cove

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Dear Trail Supporters:

Today you received a general notice about our legal action for Declaratory Relief to quiet title on our Timber Cove Pedestrian easements. It is a "Relief" that our community sorely needs, and it is an action we were literally forced to take. If anyone doubts that, you need only revisit the dictatorial decree sent by two members of the TCHA board last March 28, stating that our hiking trails do not exist. Neither board member had expert knowledge of the subject, but they and their supporters intended to impose their will on property owners. Most of you also were not present during our trail work days last March, and so did not witness the harassment, intimidation, threats that we endured from some of the defendants in this case.

I personally apologize to our Trail Supporter members who have gone so long without much information about this over the last few months. I hope you understand that the core of trail supporters who initiated this action were *very* reluctant to do so, and considered every other option available to preserve our trails, including civil disobedience. When we came to the inevitable conclusion that legal action was necessary to settle the controversy, we began a lengthy process to select an attorney, followed by a process of personal pledges within the group to collect the original retainer for the selected attorney. As pledging often does, it took a couple of regroupings to actually reach the required amount. Additional voluntary donations from some of our members helped a great deal.

It was left to the smaller group of clients, those willing to act as plaintiffs on behalf of ourselves and the community, to reach consensus on a myriad of details regarding this action. Always

we strove for the simplest, most direct route to secure our rights. Then followed the slow march of our judicial system to produce documents.

I applaud the efforts and courage of everyone who has participated in the defense of our hiking trails in Timber Cove and give special thanks to everyone who has donated. More detailed recognition will follow. One day, hopefully, we will look back and see the point where we almost lost our trails, and be glad we stepped forward, for ourselves, and future residents of Timber Cove. We have restored only a small portion of our six miles of trails, so much good work is ahead. This action will clear the way.

Meanwhile we invite all of you to join us by donating to this worthy cause or even joining us as plaintiffs. We need and welcome that support.

Please send your donation to:

Timber Cove Foundation

Lorrie Uribe, Treasurer
22142 Amanita Circle
Jenner, CA 95450
E.I.N. 82-0660515

(note on check memo line: Timber Cove Trail Preservation Fund)

Once again you can read a copy of the Complaint to Quiet Title on the homepage of our website: timbercovetrails.org.

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Timber Cove Trail Supporters