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Mike Walker

Vice President, Rogue Advocates Board of Directors

Wasked

Re: Authorization to represent Rogue Advocates in a letter to DLCD and CIAC on the issue of standing on remand in Josephine County

Dear Mike,

I authorize you to represent Rogue Advocates on the issue of standing on remand to CIAC but not to DLCD. I believe that at this time there is reasonable indication that Josephine County is aware of the issue and will take action to rectify the problem thus making the need to request DLCD to take action on this issue unnecessary at this time.

Also I believe that there is a very low likelihood that DLCD will make a formal request to the Justice Dept. for an opinion on this issue. It costs DLCD money to make a formal request and they have been unwilling in the past to spend money on this when I requested it on another local land use issue that involved both Jackson and Josephine Counties. DLCD will likely ask that we exhaust all local options first before seeking a Justice Dept. opinion through them and I do not believe we have reached that point yet.

I believe that CIAC should however be contacted and made aware of this issue so that it's members can fully understand how Citizen Involvement is being unfairly restricted in Josephine County at this time on the issue of who has standing at remand so that it's members can take action as they see fit.

Sincerely,

Immy Mackeod **Executive Director** 

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