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***COUNTY OF MENDOCINO ANNOUNCES LEADERSHIP CHANGES
WITHIN THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE AND DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND BUILDING SERVICES***


Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer Carmel J. Angelo announced today that Steve Dunicliff will be transitioning from his role as the Director of Planning and Building Services and returning to the Executive Office as Deputy Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Dunicliff will make the transition to the Executive Office on Monday, April 3, 2017.

Mr. Dunicliff began his County career in 2008, after working in the construction and real estate industries, and has developed a successful track record as part of the County's leadership team, in his previous positions of Economic Development Coordinator, Deputy CEO, and Planning and Building Director. Chief Executive Officer Carmel J. Angelo stated, "Steve has done a tremendous job as Director, and he assembled a strong management team in the department. They are well positioned to build upon the foundation established by Steve." CEO Angelo further said, "Steve is an experienced administrator and an asset to the County. I am excited to have Steve returning to the Executive Office, and I believe his experience will be invaluable in addressing the many opportunities and challenges the County is facing". Mr. Dunicliff will begin managing the County's Facilities and Fleet Divisions and working on several sustainable energy initiatives, among a variety of other tasks and assignments.

Mr. Dunicliff is proud of the progress Planning & Building Services has made over the last five years in implementing the Board of Supervisor's initiatives to enhance customer service, streamline the permit process, and foster inter-departmental collaboration. A few highlights include the department's continuing commitment to excellent customer service, "QuickCheck" permit processing, and the creation of an online portal which currently allows the public to view permit processing activity and will soon allow for certain permits to be issued online (buildingmendocino.org). Mr. Dunicliff stated, "With the leadership of Planning and Building's management team of Mary Lynn Hunt, Adrienne Thompson, and Michael Lockett, I look forward to seeing the Department's continued success and innovation. Further, I am extremely excited to have the opportunity to come back to the Executive Office and take on new challenges. CEO Angelo has developed a strong leadership team and I look forward to building upon the relationships I have with the Board of Supervisors, department heads, and community partners in my new role."

A nationwide recruitment for a Director of Planning and Building Services will be initiated immediately, and former Planning and Building Services Director Nash Gonzalez will assume the role of Interim Planning and Building Services Director. Nash brings more than 25 years of professional experience in the field of planning in California. He served as the Planning and Building Services Director for the County of Mendocino from 2008 - 2011, overseeing completion of the County's General Plan, Ukiah Valley Area Plan, and Housing Element. Nash also served as the Director of Planning & Development for the County of Santa Clara from 2012 – 2015.

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Carmel J. Angelo, Chief Executive Officer