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***THE COUNTY OF MENDOCINO, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY
(HHS), DISASTER RESPONSE TEAM HAS OPENED AN EMERGENCY
SHELTER***

In response to the neighboring fire in Lake County (named the Valley Fire), the County's HHS Disaster Response Team has opened an emergency shelter at the Redwood Empire Fairgrounds located at 1055 North State Street, Ukiah. The shelter opened at 2:00 p.m. and will be available to provide beds, water, and meals. Please note that donations can be made through the Red Cross, however, cannot be accepted at the shelter directly. Details regarding the fire at this time are unknown, as well as the numbers of citizens affected.

The County is coordinating the shelter effort with Lake County Office of Emergency Services (OES). The Lake County OES has a pre-recorded information line set up at (707) 263-2360.

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