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MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO HOST PRESENTATION BY THE RURAL COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES OF CALIFORNIA (RCRC) ON THE 2015 STATE LEGISLATIVE MEDICAL MARIJUANA REGULATORY PACKAGE

At the request of the Board of Supervisors Marijuana Ad Hoc Committee, the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors will hold a special meeting on Monday, October 26, 2015, for a presentation on the State Legislative medical marijuana regulatory package.

In the final hours of the legislative session, the legislature passed a medical marijuana regulatory package that was signed by the Governor on October 9, 2015, consisting of three bills: AB 266 (Bonta), SB 643 (McGuire) and AB 243 (Wood). The Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) Senior Legislative Advocate, Paul Smith, will provide an overview of all three bills. RCRC works with its membership to advocate on behalf of rural issues at the state and federal levels. RCRC provides the rural county perspective on a myriad of issues during the legislative and regulatory process, including land use, water and natural resources, housing, transportation, wildfire protection policies, and health and human services. Paul Smith represents RCRC on a variety of issues including county finance and operations, elections, labor/employment/pensions, transportation, solid waste, and corrections.

"Over the past year, the North Coast Counties have been informally discussing the possible impacts of potential state and federal cannabis policies on our economies, environment and public safety. With the passing of the recent regulatory legislations, there will be guidelines in place to allow access to medical marijuana, while ensuring a robust tracking system and a regulatory structure for the industry, including taxing and licensing," said Chair of the Board, Carre Brown.

The meeting will be held in the Board of Supervisors Chambers, 501 Low Gap Road in Ukiah at 5:30 p.m. This event is open to the public. Interested parties are encouraged to attend.

For more information, or to reserve a spot, please contact the Mendocino County Executive Office at (707) 463-4441 or duketts@co.mendocino.ca.us.

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