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Subject: news release re meat study

A report titled "Meat Industry Capacity and Feasibility Study of the North Coast Region of California," which is a preliminary examination of the feasibility of a meat-processing plant located in Mendocino County has been released and is available to the public. The study assesses livestock production potential, marketing opportunities and the overall impact of such a facility on the economy and environment. Use of the most current technologies as described in the report would make possible a plant vastly different from outdated practices. The study was commissioned by the Economic Development and Financing Corporation of Mendocino County (EDFC), with funding from the Economic Development Agency (EDA), a division of the US Department of Commerce, and was conducted by area Livestock Advisors from the University of California Cooperative Extension and a State Specialist from the University of California Davis Agricultural Economics Department and Small Farms Program. The text of the report will be posted on the EDFC website (<http://edfc.org/>); paper copies of the 107-page report can be purchased from EDFC for \$20, and copies of the full plans, with diagrams and drawings, will cost \$100. Response and comment to the study is welcome; submit comments in writing or by email to EDFC (EDFC 631 S. Orchard Ave. Ukiah CA 95482 or information@edfc.org)