

**RESOLUTION NO. 3560**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTE SERENO  
OPPOSING WIDESPREAD INDUSTRIAL CLEAR-CUT LOGGING IN THE STATE OF  
CALIFORNIA.**

**WHEREAS**, there is significant public opposition to the logging method known as widespread industrial clear-cutting\* as shown in Figures 1 & 3 attached hereto, and

**WHEREAS**, the forests of California are not only revered by the people but are the source of more than 60% of our water supply, and

**WHEREAS**, our forests fight global warming as they store carbon, release oxygen, cool streams, prevent flooding and siltation, resist fire, provide food, shelter and migration routes for wildlife, and host public recreation supporting the economy of mountain communities, and

**WHEREAS**, widespread industrial clear-cutting commonly involves the removal of virtually all trees in 20-30 acre tracts, which are then replaced with even-aged tree plantations, and requires broad, repeated application of toxic herbicides that can enter waterways – all of which increase the risk of wildfires, landslides, soil erosion, loss of biodiversity, pest invasions, and tree diseases, and

**WHEREAS**, clear-cutting is prohibited within the boundaries of Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, San Mateo, San Francisco and Marin Counties, and

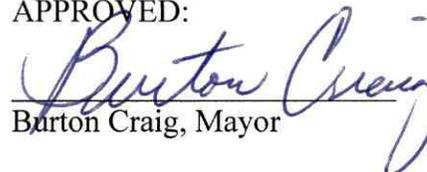
**WHEREAS**, California's forests urgently need the protection of sustainable selective logging, as shown in figure 2 (Page 2 attached hereto), to generate forests with trees of multiple ages and species, that can produce sufficient wood products and create more jobs than clear-cutting;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City Of Monte Sereno calls on the State Legislature and Governor of California to prohibit industrial clear-cut logging in the forests of California.

Regularly adopted and passed this 10th day of June, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Anstandig, Allan, Huff, Rogers and Mayor Craig  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

APPROVED:

  
Burton Craig, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Andrea M. Chelemengos, City Clerk

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\*For the purposes of this resolution “clearcutting” is defined as any public or private forest management or timber harvest method in which sixty percent (60%) or more of cubic tree volume of any area greater than two and one-half (2 ½) acres is felled within any fifteen-year period. Clear-cutting also refers to any forest management or timber harvesting practice that has methods referred to as “even-aged management” or “plantation forestry”.



**Figure 1 – 20 Acre Clear-Cutting** West of Lassen Peak(Google Maps). Note the brown polygons .



**Figure 2–Selective Logging.** Note the difference between this practice and clear-cutting.



**Figure 3 –Industrial Clear-cut Logging**