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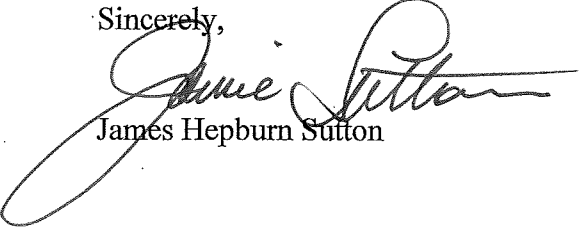
April 11, 2016

The Board of Supervisors  
County of Marin  
Civic Center  
San Rafael, CA 94903

I live in the Calles section of Stinson Beach. Without the ability to raise my home a few feet above floodwaters - yet still within reasonable height limits that preserve our unique community character - I would eventually have to abandon my home, as would many of my neighbors who I represent. And I cannot afford to go through months of permitting hearings and tens of thousands of dollars of expenses just to do this. Your staff has in our opinion done an excellent job balancing this need by providing limited variance relief and expediting coastal permitting for those of us in floodzones, without sacrificing public access, public views or the environment, all of which are also highly valued by all of us living in West Marin.

Please embrace and endorse the recommendations of the County staff and adopt these thoughtful measures.

Sincerely,

  
James Hepburn Sutton