Re: LCP Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) in the coastal zone of Mendocino County,  

We are long time residents of our beautiful, rural Pacific coast.  
The housing situation in the last 30 years has always been challenging for renters but in recent years with the arrival of Vacation Rentals and AirBnbs it has gotten dramatically worse.  
We therefore applaud the amendment to the LCP to allow accessory dwelling units, but it is imperative that they be used for long term housing and not more Vacation Rentals and AirBnbs. Otherwise the problem will be further exacerbated rather than alleviated.  
While we appreciate visitors coming to enjoy our coast, we cannot just have more and more people coming and the necessary services are not there. That would not be prudent.  
We hear stories all the time from small businesses, even residents looking for help and not being able to find anybody because people in the service industry can’t find housing and/or can’t afford it. Even people in higher paying jobs like teachers, nurses, policemen are struggling to find rentals.  
At this time there are plenty of Vacation Rentals and AirBnbs all up and down the coast (more is not always better). Additional ADUs should be allocated for residential housing.  

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Charles and Rosemarie Acker