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RCRC Welcomes Sonoma County to Membership

*Association Now Represents More Than Half of
California's Land Mass and Nearly 11 Percent of California's Population*

SACRAMENTO, CA – September 27, 2018 – The Rural County Representatives of California ([RCRC](http://www.rcrcnet.org)) has added Sonoma County to its membership, bringing the total number of RCRC member counties to thirty-six. The RCRC Board of Directors unanimously approved the addition at their meeting in Napa County last week. Supervisor Lynda Hopkins will serve as the Delegate on the RCRC Board of Directors representing Sonoma County.

“The voice of California’s rural counties is stronger than ever, and we are excited to welcome Sonoma County to join our collective efforts in Sacramento and Washington, D.C.,” said Rex Bohn, RCRC Chair and Humboldt County Supervisor. “The growth RCRC has experienced over the recent past is a true testament to the value the organization provides to California’s rural communities.”

“Sonoma County has an urban core, but the vast majority of our landmass is rural in nature with an abundance of natural resources, preserved open space, and agricultural land,” said Supervisor Hopkins. “The majority of my constituents are rural, and share the same concerns that other RCRC counties face. We’re looking forward to working with other rural counties to advocate for our fair share of resources at the state and federal level.”

Founded in 1972, 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 myriad issues during the legislative and regulatory process, including land use, water and natural resources, housing, transportation, wildfire protection and forest management

policies, and health and human services. The core of RCRC's mission is to improve the ability of small, rural California county government to provide services by reducing the burden of state and federal mandates, and promoting a greater understanding among policy makers about the unique challenges that face California's small population counties.

ABOUT RURAL COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES OF CALIFORNIA (RCRC)

The Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) is a thirty-five member county strong service organization that champions policies on behalf of California's rural counties. RCRC is dedicated to representing the collective unique interests of its membership, providing legislative and regulatory representation at the State and Federal levels, and providing responsible services for its members to enhance and protect the quality of life in rural California counties. To learn more about RCRC, visit rcrcnet.org and follow @RuralCounties on Twitter.

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