



County of Santa Cruz

GRAND JURY

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Dear Citizens of Santa Cruz County:

The Grand Jury system has existed in every county of California since 1850. Our mandate is to examine local governmental agencies and effect change by producing findings and recommendations for areas of improvement. The Santa Cruz County Grand Jury is independent and confidential in its investigations and deliberations.

The 2008-2009 Grand Jury report focused on six areas of our county in an effort to assist public agencies and our city and county to operate more efficiently and, hopefully, economically. Following the release of the report, the entities identified in the report were required by law to respond to the findings and recommendations. The responses to the *2008-2009 Grand Jury Final Report* have been received and incorporated into the original document.

The Grand Jury wishes to express gratitude to all who have given of their energy and taken responsibility to help make local government more responsive and efficient in its service to the citizens of the county of Santa Cruz.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lorna Horton".

Lorna Horton
Foreperson
2009-2010 Grand Jury of Santa Cruz County