

# Opposition To Forest Bill Sent To Washington

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Two groups yesterday sent telegrams to Rep. Clarence F. Lea and Senators William F. Knowland and Sheridan Downey vigorously opposing the newly-revised Helen Gahagan Douglas bill for a redwood forest as a memorial to Franklin D. Roosevelt.

The telegram dispatched by County Clerk Fred J. Moore, Jr., yesterday afternoon on behalf of the supervisors is as follows:

"The Humboldt county board of supervisors oppose further acquisition of land by the federal and state governments and favor private enterprise over governmental ownership or control.

"During February this year, California forest practice rules for the redwood district authorized by the California legislature and adopted by California's board of forestry became effective guaranteeing continued sustained yield of redwood lumber in perpetuity.

"This board of supervisors therefore urge and oppose Congresswoman Douglas's new Roosevelt Memorial Forest bill."

Another telegram sent by Whitney Allyn, secretary-manager of the Eureka Chamber of Commerce, reads as follows:

"The Eureka Chamber of Commerce expresses its unqualified disapproval of and its militant opposition to the redwood forest bill as re-introduced by Congresswoman Douglas. Your support in bringing about defeat of this bill will be appreciated by a very large majority of the residents of this area."