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Shasta County Fire Safe Council
P.O. Box 338
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RE: \$400,000 Fire Prevention Grant

To Whom It May Concern:

The Shasta County Board of Supervisors fully supports the Wildfire Prevention Grant applied for by the Shasta County Fire Safe Council (SCFSC) to operate and expand the Curbside Chipping Program which it manages. This program encourages residents of Shasta County communities to meet state required Defensible Space standards themselves, thus reducing the risk of wildfire.

The Curbside Chipping Program is very economical as residents do most of the work themselves. They thin and prune their own vegetation and stack it alongside their road for SCFSC to come along at a pre-arranged dates and chip the material. This program also encourages landowner's participation in the risk reduction activities such as Firewise Community Groups, a program sponsored by the National Fire Protection Association.

Sincerely,

Patrick Jones, Chair
Board of Supervisors
County of Shasta