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January 7, 2014

Mr. Ed Grout
Auburn Lake Trails Fire Safety and Improvement Council
2743 Brown Bear Trail
Cool, CA 95614

RE: Auburn Lake Trails Property Owners Association
2013 Community Wildfire Protection Plan

Dear Mr. Grout,

I appreciate and support the efforts of the Auburn Lake Trails Fire Safety and Improvement Council (ALTFSIC) to develop the Auburn Lake Trails Property Owners Association - 2013 Community Wildfire Protection Plan. Clearly, the ALTFSIC invested considerable time and effort to successfully coordinate the input, development and review by numerous agencies and the Auburn Lake Trails Community.

I believe it is appropriate for a community to develop and update a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) that establishes that community's priorities for fire protection strategies that include fuels reduction, forest management, and defensible space projects. I also believe that because the intent of a CWPP is to guide the efforts to protect life, property and infrastructure within a Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI), it is a significant planning document that should be afforded the opportunity for review by each of the agencies involved in the Plan's development and approval.

If it is the desire of the ALTFSIC to have me, as the District IV County Supervisor, sign the 2013 Plan as one of the "officials who were notified and have participated in the development" of the Plan, and as a representative of one of the entities who "mutually agree with the contents of" the Plan, then I must first bring the Plan to the full Board of Supervisors for review and direction regarding my signature.

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I can place an item on an upcoming Board of Supervisors agenda to request the Board's review and direction regarding my signature that would indicate the County's approval of the Auburn Lake Trails Property Owners Association – 2013 Community Wildfire Protection Plan. Please let me know if the ALTFSIC is agreeable to this and my office will immediately prepare an agenda item for the next available Board meeting.

Sincerely,



Ron Briggs
Supervisor, District IV
County of El Dorado

cc: Auburn Lake Trails Property Owners Association
El Dorado County Fire Safe Council
Michael Hardy, Chief, El Dorado County Fire Protection District
Mike Kaslin, Unit Chief, CAL FIRE Amador-El Dorado Unit