

#5 26-0426 public comment
BOS Recd 4/6/26

 Outlook

Attn: Lori Parlin, Greg Ferrero, George Turnboo, Brian Veerkamp, Brooke Laine regarding April 7 meeting agenda item

From Kel H <coastalrn@yahoo.com>

Date Mon 4/6/2026 9:43 AM

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To ALL the board of supervisors respectfully,

I am a survivor of the Mosquito Fire having lost 13 acres to a total burn down. Nothing was left after the fire - it all burned. To add insult to injury, after all the trees were burned and subsequently cut down and removed, our once beautiful forested property is now a complete moonscape devoid of anything green and lacking in any privacy from the road.

I understand that the BOS will be voting on what to do with the remaining \$8 Million in settlement money and the current proposal is that it go into the general fund. I'm writing to express my strong belief that this money should NOT go into the general fund, but should be invested back into the community that bought it with our own asset loss.

There are many parts of Volcanoville Road that are only one lane wide and dangerous. I believe the first priority that this money should be used for is to widen Volcanoville Rd to allow for emergency vehicles to enter at the same time residents are trying to flee to safety. Even without emergency vehicles on scene, Volcanoville Road is so narrow in places that it is a hazard and dangerous to residents living there. So many near misses and head on collisions have been noted on our community Facebook page.

Another thought would be to establish a second ingress/egress with improvements to Kentucky Flat Rd to allow more traffic to get out safely. Just this past winter (and so many before!) we had multiple downed trees across the road and people were completely trapped waiting for someone to come with the equipment to clear it. Having a second way in and out gives people more options to get out.

Please earmark this settlement money to be put towards the community that paid for it with our lost assets. Divvying this money out to other districts on the backs of our suffering is simply not fair.

Thank you for your consideration,
Kelley Hix
Volcanoville Road resident, 5.5 mile marker

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4-7-26 BOS Agenda Item #5, File #26-0426 Mosquito Fire Settlement

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For these reasons, we respectfully ask that the remaining Mosquito Fire Settlement funds be fully allocated to Volcanoville, the area most impacted by the Mosquito Fire, for critical road and safety improvements, including:

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Thank you for your time and consideration of these critical needs for our community.

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Keep Mosquito Fire Funds Where They Belong-Volcanoville Safety

From mark murchie <smogmurch@sbcglobal.net>

Date Mon 4/6/2026 11:30 AM

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Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors,

My wife Rhiannon and I are local business owners here on the Divide as well as home owners, and we've had the pleasure of meeting Supervisor Parlin on a few different occasions. I'm reaching out because this issue matters deeply to our hearts and our community.

We are asking you to please consider keeping the Mosquito Fire settlement funds focused on the areas that were actually impacted, like Volcanoville, instead of moving them into the General Fund.

Quite honestly, this funding exists because of what us residents in these communities went through. Without the homes, land and lives affected in the fire, those funds wouldn't even be there. That's why it's important that the money comes back to the communities that experienced that loss and ongoing risk.

To be honest, it's hard to understand why this is even a question. These funds came from a disaster that directly impacted this area, it shouldn't even be an option for them to be used elsewhere. It's frustrating that our community has to advocate for something that feels so clear.

Living and workin on the Divide, we know firsthand the reality of fire danger here. Volcanoville Road is not just another road, it's our way in and out. It's what emergency crews depend on, and it's what families rely on if they need to evacuate quickly.

Right now, that road is not where it needs to be for the kind of emergencies we face. If fire crews can't get in fast or people can't get out safely, that's a serious safety concern.

I understand there are multiple needs, but I strongly urge you to prioritize:

- *Making Volcanoville Road safer and more reliable for emergency access
- *Improving evacuation flow in and out of Volcanoville
- *Investing in real, on-the-ground fire safety improvements where the fire actually hit


This is a chance to make meaningful improvements before the next emergency, not after.

Please keep these funds where they belong and use them to directly import safety for the communities that made them necessary.

Thank you for your time and for your service to our community.

Joey & Rhiannon Murchie,
Murchie's Smog & Repair

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Mosquito Fire Settlement for Volcanoville

From John Stone <j_j_stone@yahoo.com>

Date Mon 4/6/2026 1:42 PM

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To whom it may concern,


I am a resident on Volcanoville Rd and I was alerted that the PG&E Mosquito Fire settlement funds were potentially being put into the general funds.

I am vehemently against this course of action. I would urge you to use the funds to continue to hardening Volcanoville area against fires. Things like hazardous tree removal, further bramble removal off Volcanoville Road (more than 50' and into private property), and especially investigation into a second ingress/egress route. The last is probably the most critical as a fallen tree across Volcanoville Road would prove fatal as shown in the Paradise Fire.

Of secondary importance, a helicopter landing zone would be helpful to minimize travel time for the folks toward the backend of Volcanoville Rd. Road repairs and improvements would also do wonders to help fire hardening; there are many rough patches and places that would benefit from getting another 3' in width.

Regards,
John Stone

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PG&E Mosquito Fire settlement funds

From Kathleen Lindsen <kathleen.lindsen@gmail.com>

Date Mon 4/6/2026 1:47 PM

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Sincerely,

Kathleen Lindsen

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General Fund Disaster Designation

From Elaine J <elainejohnca@gmail.com>

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Dear Board Members,

I am reaching out regarding the Mosquito Fire funds currently earmarked for the community affected.


As an out of town owner, I have not requested any support in honor of those impacted worst than myself. Now understanding that available funds may be moved elsewhere, I am using this opportunity to advise that there are probably others like myself that should have the ability to shore up our properties with assistance in defense of the community against a new fire threat.

There are still hazard-tree removals, fire-safety improvements, road repairs I would personally request and the broader community needs of a helicopter landing zone and a second ingress/egress route. Being caught in a fire with no way out is a real potential, still.

Thank you for your consideration.

9229 Country Road
Volcanoville, CA

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Suggest Mosquito Fire funds for RMP update CEQA

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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, El Dorado County,

For Consent Item 5. 26-0426 on the April 7, 2026 agenda, and pending further discussion as may be needed for that subject in future Board meetings:

Please consider this a public comment to the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors for a suggestion of using a portion of the pending Mosquito Fire settlement funding for related CEQA on the River Management Plan update in progress. The current 2018 RMP pending the 2025 'update' relies on the outdated County 2001 FEIR despite numerous incremental and cumulative changes in the RMP and the river corridor setting that require new CEQA reviews prior to further certifications of the current FEIR as adequate. The issue of required CEQA funding for the RMP was brought up by a member of the Coloma-Lotus Advisory Committee during their meeting on April 2, 2026 in Coloma.

Both the Middle Fork in the area of the Mosquito Fire and the South Fork American River are important public resources in El Dorado County for boating and other outdoor activities, with substantial support for local economies. Outfitters operate on both rivers under permits from State Parks in Auburn SRA and Folsom Lake SRA, with permits from El Dorado County for the South Fork under the RMP since 1984 and updates. Both river corridor settings would greatly benefit from improved coordination among responsible agencies for land management jurisdictions under their respective plans to recognize key changes over the years.

Thank you.

Emmett Cartier