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Hi Kim,

I have a comment for the Board of Supervisor Meeting: August 29, 2023 Agenda Item: 23-1571 Wildfire Preparedness Presentation

Thank you

Gina Posey

Chair

Sierrama Firewise Commnunity

Date: August 24, 2023

TO: Board of Supervisor Meeting: August 29, 2023

FROM: Gina Posey

Subject: Agenda Item: 23-1571 Wildfire Preparedness Presentation

Board of Supervisors,

Home owner's insurance has become a crisis for many residents in our County. Simply review the app, Nextdoor, to see, every day, another resident having their home owner's insurance cancelled.

Recently, in the news, many large insurance companies have stated they are leaving the California home owner's insurance market or not adding new policies. While I understand the oversight for California's Homeowner insurance lies within the California Insurance Commission, I am asking the Board's consideration, to have the EDC Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience be tasked to take a proactive and standing action item to work with the California State elected officials, the California Insurance Commission, and the insurance companies themselves, to communicate the work that has been and continues to be done to mitigate fire risk in our County. Updates from the EDC Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience would be provided during regular status reviews. Today's update does not contain any reference to this issue.

My concern is that without this standing linkage, the good work of creating defensible space and thereby reducing our County's fire risk will go unnoticed and not be taken into account by the insurance companies.

Thank you for your time,

Gina Posey

Chair: Sierrama Firewise Community