

I understand that there is a proposal on the June 9th to reduce funding of the Mendocino County FireSafe Council from \$100,000 to \$25,000. That seems like an extreme reduction, given the fact that the MCFSC has done a tremendous job to improve public awareness about fire safety and supported fuel reduction projects in neighborhoods surrounding our valley.

I respectfully request that you allocate at least \$50,000 to allow the MCFSC to function at baseline level and continue to seek grant funding for fire safety work. With our recent history of huge wildfires, it seems imperative that we put as much effort into fire prevention as possible.

Thank you.

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