

We have already entered what is to be one of the worst fire seasons we have ever faced. To cut funding to the Mendocino Fire Safe Council (MCFSC) at this time would be both illogical and irresponsible! Please use your thinking brains! The MCFSC has worked with local fire councils to help residents create defensible space around their homes and know what to expect and do should an evacuation be called. Additionally, MCFSC has raised additional monies through grants and donations to support their efforts. It is essential that the modest funding of \$100,000 for MCFSC be continued!

I am still perplexed regarding the County OES's determination that the snow storm damage was not severe enough to declare a disaster and request emergency funding from the State and Feds. RUFKM???? There are fallen trees all around and on my property in Brooktrails! Thirteen trees fell across Primrose Drive from the property next to mine. They completely blocked access to that area of the Primrose neighborhood. No one could get in or out. Had an emergency occurred, well..... I would like to know how the determination to not request emergency funding was made. What was the County's analysis based on?

I cannot urge you strongly enough to maintain the \$100,000 funding for MCFSC.

Sincerely,

Tracey Douglas