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Board of Forestry and Fire Protection
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Attention: Regulations Priority Review

Honorable Board Members,

The state’s current “Minimum Firesafe regulations” have caused us a lot of personal pain. Overnight our single most valuable asset became next to worthless. A legal building site that we had previously received building permits complete with CalFire approval, may now be unbuildable. We now have a very expensive piece of land that we can not build on, nor sell. You have taken away, not only our property rights, but our dreams and maybe even our retirement.

The following three items cover the three items in your request for public comment.

1. Why are these regulatory standards being applied to existing legal lots. Those lots were legally created and met the regulatory standards at that time.

2. The current “Firesafe regulations” do not seem to take into consideration what is practical or even possible. An example would be, “How does a private citizen achieve compliance with the regulatory standards with regards to dead end roads. They cannot create a road extension where there is no right of way?”

3. The solution to these problems is straight forward. Exempt existing legal residential lots from current “Minimum Firesafe regulations” for construction of single family homes. Require that all new roads, lot splits, subdivision and accessory dwelling units comply with the current regulations.

Sincerely yours,

Michael Burke.