

Rebuttal in Support of Wildfire Prevention District (CFD 2013-13) AUG 26 PM 4:45

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This is a simple measure about preventing wildfires and the spread of fire. The current Wildfire Prevention District has protected Oakland residents from devastating firestorms for the past 10 years.

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Don't let bad information confuse our wildfire prevention needs.

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FACT: We need dedicated and consistent funding to support essential fire prevention services that protect our community from another disaster.

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FACT: The City doesn't have the budget to provide these additional services without a separate district.

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FACT: Funds can ONLY be used for wildfire prevention services within the District. The district pays for fuel suppression management, which clearly includes prevention services such as clearing excess brush/weeds; maintaining firebreaks preventing spread; high danger day patrols; tree removal; and clearing emergency exits.

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A citizens advisory oversight committee, annual audits, and an annual plan informed by a qualified biologist and district residents ensures continued long-term, cost effective management to achieve wildfire safety. All services and contracts are subject to state and federal environmental requirements.

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The good work of the Citizens Advisory Committee has made the District one of the most successful and well-run programs in the city. The Committee has achieved cost effective contracts, increased services, and helped address specific plant and neighborhood issues.

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We've been protected by our dedicated Wildfire Prevention District services while other communities that don't have a dedicated district continue to experience large fires.

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Vote YES to continue services that prevent wildfires and fire spread.

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Vote YES to protect our homes and lives from disaster.

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☐ Argument in Favor☐ Rebuttal to Argument in Favor☐ Argument Against☒ Rebuttal to Argument Againstof ballot measure \_\_\_\_\_ at the Special Municipal Vote by Mail Election for the City of  
(Name or Number)

Oakland to be held on Wednesday, November 13, 2013 hereby state that such argument is true and correct to the best of his/her/their knowledge and belief:

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Printed Name Date3. \_\_\_\_\_  
Title to Appear on Argument  
Co-president Montclair Village Assoc.  
Christopher Plason Signature 8/20/13  
Printed Name Date4. \_\_\_\_\_  
Title to Appear on Argument  
Chair, North Hills Community Association  
Shirley Corrothers Signature 8-20-13  
Printed Name Date  
President Homeowners of Crestmont Association5. \_\_\_\_\_  
Title to Appear on Argument  
Susan G. Piper Signature 8-16-13  
Printed Name Date  
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The undersigned author(s) who submitted the original argument (in favor of / or against) Measure \_\_\_\_\_ to be voted on at the **City of Oakland Special Municipal Election** to be held on **November 13, 2013** authorize the following individuals to sign the rebuttal argument in their place:

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Printed Name2. Howard Neal  
Printed Name3. Christopher Johnson  
Printed Name4. Shirley Corrothers  
Printed Name5. Susan G Piper  
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## Original Signers

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Date

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