



**Board of Supervisors Office**  
**COUNTY OF TULARE**  
**AGENDA ITEM**

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**AGENDA DATE:** December 9, 2008

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Resolution, Ordinance or Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>

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**SUBJECT:** A letter of support for the Alder Creek Fire Safe Council's application to receive \$330,000 to develop an Environmental Impact Statement to help prepare a fire break to the West of Sequoia Crest.

**REQUEST(S):**  
That the Board of Supervisors:  
Sign and send a letter of support for the Alder Creek Fire Safe Council's application to receive \$330,000 to develop an Environmental Impact Statement to help prepare a fire break to the West of Sequoia Crest.

**SUMMARY:**  
The Alder Creek Fire Safe Council, in the community of Sequoia Crest, is applying for a \$330,000 grant from the Sierra Nevada Conservancy. The grant will provide funds for the Fire Safe Council to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for a fire break to the West of Sequoia Crest.

The Fire Safe Council is working with the United States Forest Service (USFS) because the fire break is on USFS land. The fire break will provide an increased level of protection from catastrophic wildfires in the Sequoia Crest area. The requested \$330,000 will provide the funding to conduct the necessary environmental reviews to plan shaded-canopy fuel breaks.

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management in the mountains of Tulare County. This letter supports the Alder Creek Fire Safe Council taking the necessary steps toward providing safety for the residents of Sequoia Crest.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

No net county cost.

**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:**

Supporting the Alder Creek Fire Safe Council's grant application is linked to the Safety and Security initiative of the Tulare County Strategic Business Plan. This project will help plan and provide coordinated emergency preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation capabilities for both natural and man-made disasters.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

The Board of Supervisors could choose to not send the letter of support. This is not recommended because the Board has consistently supported forest management strategies.

**INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:**

N/A

**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**

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Jeff Forbes  
Board Representative III

Cc: Auditor/Controller  
County Counsel  
County Administrative Office (3)

Attachment – Letter of Support

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

IN THE MATTER OF A LETTER OF )  
SUPPORT FOR THE ALDER CREEK )  
FIRE SAFE COUNCIL'S APPLICATION)

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
AGREEMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, SECONDED BY  
SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL MEETING HELD \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

ATTEST: JEAN M. ROUSSEAU  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER  
CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

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Approved a letter of support for the Alder Creek Fire Safe Council's application to receive \$330,000 to develop an Environmental Impact Statement to help prepare a fire break to the West of Sequoia Crest.