The County of Yuba
County Administrator

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Kevin Mallen, County Administrator
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SUBJECT: Board approve and ratify signature of Chair on letter of support for S. 4431, the Emergency Wildfire and Public Safety Act of 2020.
DATE: September 22, 2020
NUMBER: 490/2020

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors approve and ratify the signature of the Chair on a letter of support of S. 4431, the Wildfire and Public Safety Act of 2020.

Background & Discussion

California is experiencing one of the worst fire seasons in modern history and the existing state of our forests creates a ticking time bomb for additional major catastrophic wildfires moving forward. The COVID-19 pandemic intensifies the public health risks caused by wildfire smoke providing a new urgency to this issue. S. 4431 is a necessary measure that will help protect communities from catastrophic wildfires by implementing critical wildfire mitigation projects, sustaining healthier forests that are more resilient, and providing important energy and retrofitting assistance to businesses and residences to mitigate future risks from wildfire and power shutoffs.

Committee Action:

Due to time constraints, this matter was not taken to committee first. It is presented to the full Board for ratification of the action taken.

Fiscal Impact:

General Fund Impact: No impact
Non-General Fund Impact: No impact
Other Impact: No impact

Attachments

490/2020 S. 4431 Support Letter