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Thank you for the opportunity to comment and thank you for your attention to this critical tool in our wildfire preparedness tool chest.

May I please direct you to Section G-IV 7.2 Application of Article.

Please address what is the clearance amount on either side of a private road? I don't see any guidance on this piece in this proposed ordinance or in PRC 4291.

According to the 2019-20 Grand Jury report on wildfire, unincorporated Nevada County includes 2800 miles of both public and private roads. DPW maintains 560 miles of public roads leaving the management of 2300 miles of private roads up to the property owners who abut those roads. In Q4 of FY 22-23, DPW has managed 475 miles of County roads (thank you!) up from the prior years' total of 208 miles.

May I next direct you to Sec. G-IV 7.11 Abatement by Public Official

The use of the word "may" rather than "shall" weakens this critical portion of the ordinance, enforcement. It takes the "force" out of enforcement, leaving enforcement to be discretionary rather than mandatory. Please help us here, we are already being asked to bear 50% of the cost for our neighbors. We need real enforcement!

Thank you.

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