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Dear LAFCO and Supervisor Koenig,

Here is an excellent article about the increasing use of "Good Fire" in California.

https://baynature.org/article/learn-to-burn/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery

Of note is this:

"And yet another new initiative, outlined in AB-642, requires the state fire marshal "to develop a proposal to establish a prescribed fire training center." The proposal is due by July 2023."

Maybe we need to write the State Fire Marshal to advocate that such a training center be established in the Santa Cruz Mountains.

The Santa Cruz County RCD has opened applications for the free chipping program, but maybe we can also consider doing some burn piles in our FireWise Communities...especially after the recent rain.

Our County needs a Prescribed Fire Training Center. I feel the Branciforte Fire Station would be a good fit.

Please respond. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Becky Steinbruner
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