

From: Jim Wilson

Subject: Important BOS meeting - Water Quality and Tree Protection Ordinance - 9am Tuesday, 3/26

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Dear friends and supporters of Measure C,

I want to take this opportunity to thank you again for your valuable letters and public comments during the strategic planning process, the Board of Supervisors study session on watershed protections, and most recently the two Planning Commission hearings on the Water Quality and Tree Protection Ordinance. On Tuesday, the BOS make their decision.

It's time our policies reflected our profound need for healthy forests and the abundant services they provide. For the current draft ordinance, a professional analysis of potential outcomes finds 27,800 acres, mostly oaks, is at risk of deforestation. This is utterly unacceptable. And it's certainly no Measure C, which called for an oak removal limit of 795 acres.

Supervisors know how this situation can be alleviated by revising the draft. Where forest removal cannot be avoided, 3:1 mitigation should be required on land at risk for development, as opposed to mitigation in areas not at risk and already off-limits to development, such as steep slopes.

Come to the hearing scheduled for 9am Tuesday, March 26, at the regularly scheduled BOS meeting, and support our cause.

If you haven't done so already, you can send comment letters to your Supervisor, and to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Louie Valdez jose.valdez@countyofnapa.org
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With deep appreciation, on behalf of the Watershed & Oak Woodland
Protection Committee,

Jim