

RESOLUTION NO. 22-11

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
MORAGA-ORINDA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY RECOGNIZING THE J & J RANCH
AS A SHELTER-IN-PLACE COMMUNITY**

WHEREAS, The Moraga-Orinda Fire Protection District contains multiple communities nestled within the wildland urban interface (WUI) areas where wildland vegetation is intermixed with structures. When living within the WUI, planning for wildfires is a necessity, and preparing for wildfires before they happen is the best defense against the flames; and

WHEREAS, J & J Ranch was approved on February 20, 2019 and built with ember-resistant construction-specific standards that allow residents who are unable to evacuate during a wildfire to remain inside their ignition-resistant house until the emergency is over; and

WHEREAS, J & J Ranch has a well-maintained, fire district approved landscape and vegetation management plan, and a Wildfire Hazard Assessment and Plan is in place; and

WHEREAS, J & J Ranch has adequate roadway widths (20' or more) and driveway widths, designed to accommodate two-way traffic and large firefighting apparatus; and

WHEREAS, J & J Ranch has adequate water supply and water flow for firefighting efforts; and

WHEREAS, every home in the J & J Ranch community was built with life-safety residential fire sprinklers, a well-maintained, fire district-approved fire-resistant landscape with a minimum 100-foot defensible space surrounding all structures, a "Class-A," ignition-resistant roof, dual pane (one being tempered) glass windows, and chimneys with spark arrestors containing a minimum ½" screen; and

WHEREAS, the J & J Ranch community is deemed Firewise and remains in good standing; and

WHEREAS, to remain a shelter-in-place community, each of the ember-resistant qualities must be maintained year-round. Additions or changes in landscaping require fire district and association approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors hereby recognizes the J & J Ranch Subdivision as a Shelter-In-Place community; and

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Dated: April 20, 2022

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED if a wildfire nears the J & J Ranch Subdivision Shelter-In-Place community, that the Board of Directors advises residents to evacuate as the best option.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 20th day of April 2022 at a regular meeting of the District Board of Directors held virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic on motion made by Director Jorgens and seconded by Director Jex, and duly carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES: DIRECTORS DANZIGER, JEX, JORGENS, AND DONNER

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: DIRECTOR BAITX

ABSTAIN: NONE

Michael Donner

Michael Donner (Apr 21, 2022 17:59 PDT)

Michael Donner, President
Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Marcia Holbrook

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District Secretary/District Clerk