

**DON'T PLAY WITH**

**FIRE**



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WE TEACH OUR CHILDREN NOT TO PLAY WITH FIRE AND NOW IT'S OUR TURN TO FOLLOW THIS COMMONSENSE ADVICE.



Aftermath of the Kincadee Fire

## Wildfire Risk Is Real

With recent fire seasons being the hottest, driest and most destructive on record combined with Orinda's excess abundant vegetation, we've been fortunate to date. But we cannot rely on luck alone. Destructive and fatal wildfires in Santa Rosa, Paradise and elsewhere have taught us that we must be proactive in protecting our homes and families from wildfire.

## Measure R Is Needed Now

Orinda's local firefighting professionals recommend reducing flammable vegetation, creating fire breaks, ensuring defensible space and creating safe evacuation routes. Voting Yes on R will allow Orinda to get to work right away on this essential wildfire prevention work before it's too late.

## A Wise Investment to Protect Safety and Property

Without Measure R, Orinda's growing wildfire risk will increase home insurance premiums by more than the modest cost of this measure. Some insurance companies have stopped renewing fire insurance policies in Orinda.

**PROTECT ORINDA HOMES AND SAVE LIVES. VOTE**

# RE: IT'S NOT WORTH THE RISK

## Reduce Wildfire Risk and Protect Critical Infrastructure

Voting Yes on R renews Orinda's expiring voter-approved sales tax and increases the rate by ½¢ (50¢ on a \$100 purchase) to provide locally-controlled funding for local needs. For the past eight years, these funds have been used to repair Orinda's roads. Measure R will maintain our improved roads to protect the investment and repair other critical infrastructure like deteriorating storm drains that cause flooding and sinkholes.

### Vote Yes on R for a Safer Orinda:

- Improve wildfire safety by controlling hazardous brush and vegetation throughout Orinda
- Protect neighborhoods, schools, fire stations, roads and bridges from wildfire by maintaining defensible space
- Repair aging and collapsing storm drains to prevent flooding, sinkholes, and maintain safe evacuation routes
- Improve disaster preparedness by enhancing emergency communications, early alerts and evacuation planning
- Maintain roads to minimize future costly repairs

### Measure R Requires Strict Fiscal Accountability:

- All funds stay in Orinda and cannot be taken by Sacramento
- An independent citizens' oversight committee and mandatory audits are required
- Essential purchases like groceries and medicines are exempt to reduce the burden for residents on fixed/ limited incomes



Miner Road Sink Hole in Orinda



Sanders Ranch Fire in Moraga



"Preventing wildfires and maintaining Orinda's infrastructure will protect our safety, quality of life and property values. Please join me in voting Yes on R."

**Melanie Light, Chair, Orinda Firewise Council**



**YES ON R FOR A SAFER ORINDA.**



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