

April 28, 2021

**Re: Excessive Marking of Non-Hazard Trees  
on Private Property**

Dear Senator Golden and members of the Committee:

My name is Lynne Piper, and my husband Vince, and I own property in Elkhorn in Lyons. We bought our house in January 2020 and it burned in the labor day fires.

After the fires, we applied for clean up from FEMA and signed a right of entry. We indicated we wanted the trees kept, even if burned or dead. Most of the trees around the house are young - around 10-15 years old. They are about 10-15 feet tall and far from the house and pose no danger whatsoever. We would like to leave these trees to stabilize the soils, which are sensitive and our most precious resource.

While most of the trees on my property are dead, the hardwoods are starting to root sprout and show new life. We have deer and rabbits on the property eating the new growth. We appreciate seeing the green again and don't want our land torn up by heavy equipment.

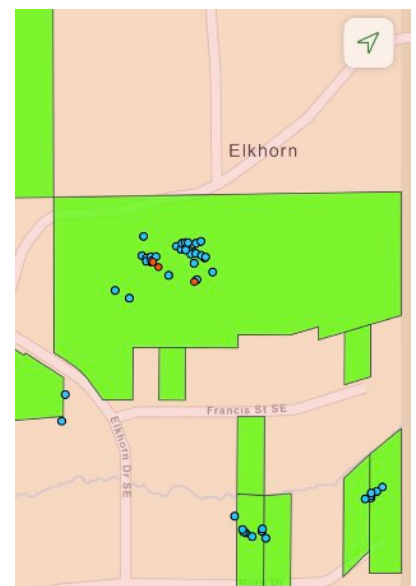
We have set up a temporary shelter. We invited an Oregon Department of Forestry forester to visit our property. He too confirmed that there was no risk to our tent or anyone from the fire impacted trees around our former home. There is zero risk to contractors either.

We recently visited the property and found dozens and dozens of tiny trees marked to cut (see screenshot of CDR Maguire application). We understand that the contractor is paid per tree (see attached). At the prices in the schedule, this appears to be over \$7,000 to cut these trees. A 10 year old could cut most of these in a day with a hand saw.

Regardless, we are not OK with them profiting off of cutting tiny, harmless trees and damaging the sensitive post-fire soils our property. I have heard that other property owners are seeing excessive marking on their land.

I ask that you conduct an audit of the qualifications of the individuals that marked trees on our land. Was this done by arborists with experience in post-fire conditions? What protocol was used? This makes absolutely no sense to us.

Yesterday, an arborist visited our property. He reported that none of the marked trees were a risk to our tent, our to any contractors that



would excavate and clean up our burned out home. I ask that you all ask whoever is responsible to stop the marking.

We intend to document and then remove the blue markings from the trees. We intend to notify the contractors that we would like to be present when they enter the land. This is not OK, please do something about it before they add insult to the injury we have felt.

Sincerely,

Lynne Piper



<b>BID SCHEDULE</b>			<b>PROPOSER:</b>		
Operational Branch 2: Beachie / Lionshead Fire, Marion County (Addendum 1)			ECC Constructors, LLC		
Highway OR22, MP 22 to 62			Burlingame, California		
Item Number	Item Description	Unit of Measure	Quantity	Unit Price	Total Price
1.0	Mobilization/Demobilization				
1.1	Hazard Tree Removal Crew	Each Crew	3	\$ 42,411.53	\$ 127,234.59
1.2	Log Deck, Hog Fuel or Similar Processing, and Hog Fuel or Similar Spreading Crew	Each Crew	1	\$ 42,411.53	\$ 42,411.53
2.0	Hazard Tree Removal				
2.1	"Debris Trees" Logs	Each Merchantable Log	5,550	\$ 70.69	\$ 392,329.50
2.2	"Debris Trees" Slash	Cubic Yard Slash	33,300	\$ 40.07	\$ 1,334,331.00
3.0	"Cut Trees"				
3.1	"Cut Trees" equal to 6 inches and less than or equal to 12 inch diameter	Each Hazard Tree	5,400	\$ 185.49	\$ 1,001,646.00
3.2	"Cut Trees" greater than 12 inch diameter and less than or equal to 24 inch diameter.	Each Hazard Tree	9,000	\$ 419.94	\$ 3,779,460.00
3.3	"Cut Trees" greater than 24 inch diameter and less than or equal to 32 inch diameter.	Each Hazard Tree	3,600	\$ 1,069.59	\$ 3,850,524.00
3.4	"Cut Trees" greater than 32 inch diameter.	Each Hazard Tree	540	\$ 4,324.38	\$ 2,335,165.20
4.0	"Cut Trees" on slopes requiring safety harness in compliance with OSHA				
4.1	"Cut Trees" equal to 6 inches and less than or equal to 12 inch diameter	Each Hazard Tree	600	\$ 291.48	\$ 174,888.00
4.2	"Cut Trees" greater than 12 inch diameter and less than or equal to 24 inch diameter.	Each Hazard Tree	1,000	\$ 900.59	\$ 900,590.00
4.3	"Cut Trees" greater than 24 inch diameter and less than or equal to 32 inch diameter.	Each Hazard Tree	400	\$ 5,185.70	\$ 2,074,280.00
4.4	"Cut Trees" greater than 32 inch diameter.	Each Hazard Tree	60	\$ 7,968.06	\$ 478,083.60
5.0	Erosion and Sediment Control Features				
5.1	Fiber Roll Barriers - Type 3	Foot	5,000	\$ 8.48	\$ 42,400.00
5.2	Re-establish Roadway Drainage Ditch	Foot	3,000	\$ 7.07	\$ 21,210.00
5.3	Aggregate Check Dams - Type 1	Ton	500	\$ 424.12	\$ 212,060.00
5.4	Wattle / Fiber Roll Check Dams - Type 2	Foot	1,000	\$ 8.48	\$ 8,480.00
6.0	Traffic Control				
6.1	Traffic Control Crew with pilot car	Day	60	\$ 4,673.40	\$ 280,404.00
6.2	Additional Traffic Control Flagger	Day	30	\$ 1,279.06	\$ 38,371.80
6.3	Portable Changeable Message Sign	Week	12	\$ 883.57	\$ 10,602.84
				<b>TOTAL BID \$</b>	<b>17,184,472.06</b>
This bid represents and includes all elements as described in the RFP and its terms, conditions, and attachments.					
The quantities and multipliers on this Schedule of Items are estimates for bid calculation purposes only. None of these quantities are guaranteed and may change based on site conditions,					