

I am requesting your careful consideration and support of SB 762. We know first hand the devastation of rapidly moving wildfire, as our cabin on the McKenzie River was completely destroyed in the Holiday Farm Fire. Fortunately, this was a second home for us. Others lost so much more and are struggling to recover.

The real tragedy is that similar events will happen again and again unless we take a comprehensive, proactive, science-based approach to wildfire risk reduction and community preparedness. Passage of SB 762 is vital to this process. Delay will only result in further loss of property, our environment, and maybe even lives of our fellow Oregonians.