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April 26, 2011

The Honorable Mitchell C. Rigby Presiding Judge Madera County Superior Court 209 West Yosemite Avenue Madera, California 93637

Subject:

Response to the 2010-2011 Grand Jury Final Report entitled "Fire Safety and Protection in Madera County – Fire Marshall"

Dear Honorable Judge Rigby:

In accordance with Penal Code Section 933, the Madera County Board of Supervisors submits this response to the Recommendations in the 2010-11 Madera County Grand Jury Report on "Fire Safety and Protection in Madera County — Fire Marshall" (See Attachment #1).

The following are the Grand Jury's recommendations in their Report, and the Board of Supervisors' response to the recommendations:

Grand Jury Recommendation

The Grand Jury recommends that the Board of Supervisors review the Marshall's current staffing needs.

Grand Jury Recommendation

The Grand Jury recommends that the County Board of Supervisors review all current inspection service fees and adjust them to more accurately reflect actual costs.

Grand Jury Recommendation

The Grand Jury recommends that the Board of Supervisors ensures compliance with State mandates.

Board of Supervisors' Response to Grand Jury Recommendations

The response of the Interim RMA Director to the above Recommendations is considered appropriate and is submitted as the Board of Supervisors' response. (See Attachment #2.)

Sincerely,

Frank Bigelow

Chairman

Madera County Board of Supervisors

Attachment

April 8, 2011

The Honorable Mitchell C. Rigby Presiding Judge

Madera County Superior Court

209 West Yosemite Avenue

Madera, California 93637

Subject: Response to the 2010-2011 Grand Jury Final Report on the ``Fire Safety and Protection in Madera County - Fire Marshall'

Your Honor

In accordance with Penal Code Section 933, the Madera County Board of Supervisors submits this response to the Final Report of the Grand Jury.

The following are the Grand Jury's recommendations in their Final Report, and the Board of Supervisors response to those recommendations:

Recommendation 1. The Grand Jury recommends that the Board of Supervisors review the Marshall's current staffing needs.

Response 1. The recommendation has not yet been implemented but will be included in the Countywide Operational Review currently in process. Staffing for the Fire Prevention for Land Development Department, of which the Fire Marshal is department head, is authorized at four positions: one Fire Marshal, two Fire Prevention Officers, and one Program Assistant. The Fire Marshal has been working with the County's Human Resources Department to re-write the job specification for the Fire Prevention Officer position to ensure that the selected applicants have the required

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education and experience to competently perform their assignments.

Recommendation 2. The Grand jury recommends that the Board of Supervisors review all current inspection service fees and adjust them to more accurately reflect actual costs.

Response 2. The recommendation has not yet been implemented but will be included in the County's Fiscal Year 2011-12 Budget process, which will be completed by August 2011.

Recommendation 3. The Grand Jury recommends that the Board of Supervisors ensures compliance with State mandates.

Response 3. The recommendation has not yet been implemented but will be included in the Countywide Operational Review currently in process. Included in the Operational Review are analyses of mandated and non-mandated services provided by the County.