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Sent: Sunday, September 30, 2018 11:00 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Identified (but still addressed) serious wildfire hazard on County land next to Shadow Hills residential development

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and Board Staff:

As a resident of the large Shadow Hills residential development next to Highway 154 (near Goleta) in SB County, I would like to call your attention to a serious (but readily addressable--- before our fire season begins again in earnest) fire hazard that is located on adjacent County land right next to our property's perimeter: This hazard is a dense stand of very tall non-native (Eucalyptus) trees on the County side of our property fence, which towers over occupied structures on Shadow Hills property as well as adjacent San Antonio Hills homes. and that would seriously threaten our own safety and survival during a vigorous wind-driven downhill fire event! This hazardous situation has been identified and has been duly noted to our residents by County Fire officials on several occasions in the past 2 years, but nothing has been done by the County to mitigate this serious situation. While we are unable to attend the upcoming meeting of County Supervisors during the coming week because of prior scheduling conflicts that we have, we would like to explain this serious situation in further detail to responsible officials in the County administration and obtain prompt relief for our concerns, since the danger from this condition to several hundred residents is a real and an imminent one!

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CC: Mr. Larry Mutz; Board Chair of Shadow Hills Owners' Association