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Commissioners: I do support any work in the WUI that will help landowners reduce fire hazard and insurance costs.

- I do not support the proposed 1.5 mile distance from structures as the new WUI boundary. This definition appears to allow unmitigated logging and infrastructure incursions in the forest, 'near' a structure, without actually protecting said structure (s).
- Please help landowners fire-proof their homes through, education, and help with the physical work through grants, government programs and tax dollars where feasible.
- A really good start to this process would be to discontinue open burning for 9 months out of the year. Perhaps, burning 1 month in the Spring and 1 month in the Fall. Give the county burn policy some teeth that will allow for enforcement, and heavily fine Ravalli county residents who insist on burning their trash throughout the year.

Thank you for your time,
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