

## RESPONSE TO GRAND JURY REPORT

**Report Title:** Marin on Fire Redux  
**Report Date:** March 25, 2013  
**Response by:** Marin County Board of Supervisors

### FINDINGS

- We agree with the findings numbered: \_\_\_\_\_,
- We disagree wholly or partially with the findings numbered: \_\_\_\_\_ ,

### RECOMMENDATIONS

- Recommendations numbered \_\_\_\_\_ have been implemented.
- Recommendations numbered \_\_\_\_\_ have not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future.
- Recommendations numbered \_\_\_\_\_ require further analysis.
- Recommendations numbered 4 will not be implemented because they are not warranted.

Date: June 4, 2013

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of pages attached: 1

**Marin County Board of Supervisors**  
Response to Findings and Recommendations from Grand Jury Report  
*"Marin on Fire Redux"* – March 25, 2013

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

**The Marin County Civil Grand Jury recommends that:**

- R4. The Marin County Board of Supervisors go on record that control of Broom within the MMWD lands is a high priority and that the most effective means of control should be utilized. This is consistent with the Board of Supervisors existing policy for the county's open space lands.**

Response: This recommendation will not be implemented. Given that we do not oversee Marin Municipal Water District (MMWD) land, we cannot speak to their land management priorities. With that said, the County has been working with land management partners including MMWD to implement vegetation management approaches to appropriately balance public safety and environmental stewardship. This type of comprehensive program focuses on using the most environmentally responsible intervention, but does include limited use of certain herbicides. Any use of herbicides should follow a program similar to Marin County's Integrated Pest Management (IPM) practices that include a strict decision protocol, proper posting to inform the public and very limited application. For example, the application of herbicide on Broom would be limited to a direct application on the root and would not be applied to the ground surrounding the Broom.