



March 16, 2023

The Honorable Doug LaMalfa
Member of Congress
CA District 1
120 Independence Circle Suite B
Chico CA 95973

VIA EMAIL

Dear Mr. LaMalfa:

H.R. 1586 - the Forest Protection and Wildland Firefighter Safety Act of 2023.

We greatly appreciate that you have brought forward the above Bill to Congress. The matter is of pressing concern to the effective operation of wildland fire suppression in the United States.

Retardant has proven to be a safe and effective tool in the protection of People, Property and the Environment for many years. To eliminate the use of retardant would endanger the lives of ground firefighters as well as worsen the impacts of fires.

Please let us know if there is anything additional, we can do to support this very important Bill

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "P. Lane".

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