



March 20, 2023

US Representative Doug LaMalfa
408 Cannon House Office Building
Washington DC 20515

Subject: Support for HR 1586, Forest Protection and Wildland Firefighter
Safety Act of 2023

Dear Representative LaMalfa,

On behalf of our 4,000 members who live, work, and recreate on public and private lands in Northern California, the American Motorcyclists Association District 36 is honored to announce our support for HR 1586, Forest Protection and Wildland Firefighter Safety Act of 2023. We appreciate your leadership on this critical issue and that the legislation has strong bi-partisan support.

As a core-team member for a forest health collaborative in the north state, I have seen lives and homes protected from being destroyed by wildfires because state and federal fire agencies were able to use retardant in a timely manner. Often those retardant air drops are danger-close and those homes are saved by heroic firefighters on the ground and pilots flying tankers.

On a personal note, my home west of Cottonwood and other homes in my neighborhood were saved when CALFIRE air tankers made precision drops of retardant just a hundred yards from my home in the fall of 2021.

Thanks for your efforts on HR 1586 they are greatly appreciated.

Best regards,

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