June 2021 Update

Dear neighbors,

The news is brief this month, but I hope you find it helpful.

• **PRE Chipping** – Many thanks to more than 27 of you, who participated in the IRA Chipping Program this past week. Chipping of those piles was completed yesterday. Your contributions make us all a little bit safer as this fire season begins. With my pile chipped I've now registered for the <u>FIREsafe Marin</u> <u>Chipping day coming during the week of July 12th</u>. This chipping is free of charge paid for from Measure C funds, but <u>you must pre-register</u>. Sign up at: <u>https://www.firesafemarin.org/programs/chipper-days</u>, first come, first served.

We expect a very dry summer and fall and hope everyone will contribute to community safety by <u>ensuring that their property is fully compliant with defensible space requirements</u>. There is abundant, useful information at the FIREsafe website, so be sure to look it over.

• Rain Water Collection Tanks – A note from PRE resident David Remple;

Should IRA Do Bulk Purchasing of Rain Water Collection Tanks? Some of us in IRA are interested in capturing and storing rain water from our home and garage roofs during winter for use during the summer. Large storage tanks, 600 to 2500 gallons cost less than \$1 per gallon and NMWD will refund \$0.25 per storage gallon (for application process see: <u>https://nmwd.com/save-water/outdoors/</u>). Bolinas residents are doing a bulk purchasing of storage tanks and saving another 15%. If anyone is interested in being the organizer of a bulk purchase for IRA residents, please contact me. David Rempel, <u>dm.rempel@gmail.com</u>.

• **PRE Road Paving Task Force** – The task force has completed its planning and will submit their plan and draft petition to the Board of Supervisors for a parcel tax election to the Department of Public Works for review this week. When they have approval, they will distribute the plan to all PRE residents and property owners. A community-wide meeting to discuss the plan will be organized. Stay tuned for details.

• PRERAB annual weed whacking – will take place soon.

• **Cigarette butts** – I'm sorry to be a nag, but my wife and I continue to find <u>cigarette butts on our</u> <u>roadsides</u>. Please, please inform any people working for you that they should not smoke this time of year unless indoors or in their vehicles, and especially that they should not toss cigarette butts out of their cars and trucks. They can ignite catastrophic fires. All of us appreciate your cooperation in this regard.

• 2021 membership Dues – If you have not paid your IRA 2021 membership dues, please do so soon. You may make payments via Venmo or Paypal (see website - invernessridge.info -for details) or by sending a check to: IRA, P.O. Box 342, Inverness, CA 94937. Questions? Contact Treasurer Patty Wimpfheimer at 415-722-9355 or at <u>invernessridge37@gmail.com</u>. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Be safe and keep well,

Tim Stanton IRA Board President