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New Wildfire Mitigation Requirements in effect Jan. 1

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Residents with juniper or bamboo on their property might soon find a door hanger from a Moraga-Orinda Fire District's Wildfire Mitigation Specialist noting that they are not in compliance with Ordinance 20-01, which MOFD's board of directors approved on July 15, 2020. The ordinance included a requirement that all juniper (genus juniperus) and bamboo (genus bambusa) within 10 feet of the paved edge of all public and private roads be removed by Dec. 31, 2023. If your property has juniper or bamboo that must be removed, the Fire District has several programs that may be of assistance:

Fuels Mitigation and Fire Prevention Programs (including home hardening grants)-?www.mofd.org/Fire-Prevention

Request a no-cost home assessment -?www.mofd.org/FAC-A

Chip and haul cut vegetation through the MOFD Wood Chipper Program -?www.mofd.org/chipper-program
City of Orinda's Free wood chipping program?https://reserve.chipperday.com/Orinda and the Measure R Fire Fuels Reduction Incentive Program (may be available to Orinda residents) at:?

www.cognitofirms.com/CityOfOrinda1/

MeasureRFireFuelsReductionIncentivePilotProgramApplication

If you have questions about the new requirements, email?info@mofd.org?or contact MOFD fire prevention staff at (925) 258-4599.

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