July 17, 2007

Dear Brisbane Resident:

This is to alert you that, between **9:00 am and noon on Saturday, July 28, 2007,** the City of Brisbane's Fire Department and Office of Emergency Services will **simulate an ordered evacuation of Kings Road residents.** This exercise is a part of the city's "Wildland Pre-Fire Attack Plan."

While participation by Kings Road residents is **completely voluntary**, we do encourage you to participate. Your involvement will familiarize you with the City's planned response to evacuate residents if this should ever become necessary. It will also provide public safety personnel with the real-world challenge of directing both outbound residential traffic and inbound fire protection equipment necessary to validate the current Plan.

I encourage your participation. Should you choose to participate, obey the evacuation commands to be issued by the Police and/or Fire crews. Please follow the directions of the public safety personnel and drive to the Residential Assembly Point located at the Sierra Point Marina.

This letter is being sent citywide to inform all residents of this upcoming drill; please assist us in passing the news about this activity by discussing it with your neighbors so that no one will be unintentionally frightened by this simulated fire event. Also, note that there will be some disruption to traffic flow throughout the City during the 9:00 am to 12:00 pm event on July 28, 2007. Please adjust your travel plans accordingly.

In addition to the voluntary evacuation planned for this drill, other components of the response to a simulated major wildland fire affecting the upper community of Brisbane will include: marshalling of evacuated residents at the Residential Assembly Point, simulated fire attack and structure protection assignments to participating fire engine companies, and the establishment of an incident command post.

The City and the North County Fire Authority (a Joint Powers Authority which provides fire management services for the cities of Brisbane, Daly City, and Pacifica) began development of this Plan in 2004. While we have been fortunate that the evacuation component has not been required, the fire attack component of the plan has been used several times to control fires on San Bruno Mountain. The July 2007 drill is another demonstration of the City's ongoing commitment to the protection of life, property, and the environment.

Thank you for taking the time to read and review this information - as evidenced by the recent unfortunate events in South Lake Tahoe, the fire season is upon us. We hope this exercise will raise awareness to the public and private preparations required to plan for natural disasters.

If you have questions on this exercise, please call our Director of Emergency Services, Randy Breault at 415.508.2131.

Sincerely,

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Mayor