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Rebuttal to Argument Against Measure I
Big Bear Fire Authority – CFD – March 3, 2020

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Don't be deceived by two individuals' inaccurate and misleading statements. Take a critical step to protect the quality of our local Big Bear fire and emergency medical services. **Vote YES on Measure I.**

Measure I will:

- **Keep** all our fire stations open
- **Ensure** quick response times to 9-1-1 medical emergencies
- **Hire** additional firefighter/paramedics
- **Repair/Replace** aging fire/medical equipment

Measure I is NOT a Bond and does NOT authorize the sale of Bonds.

Mello-Roos tax law is used for the specific purpose of ensuring visitors pay for their use of emergency services.

Visitors WILL PAY their fair share:

- ✓ Hotels/Motels will be assessed a per-room charge of \$78.
- ✓ Private home rentals will be assessed \$78 per bedroom annually.
- ✓ Ski Resorts will be assessed \$750,000 annually.

Big Bear Fire Authority is one of the busiest rural mountain fire departments in the region, serving approximately 25,000 permanent residents.

- The Big Bear Fire Department has experienced an increase in emergency incident calls of 15.7% over the past four years.
- The valley's population is aging. Demand for medial responses is increasing as the population ages. (58% of emergency medical incidents are for people over age 50).
- The cost of replacing equipment has become more expensive as technology advances.

Without additional funding, Big Bear Fire cannot meet the increasing demand for emergency medical response, and fire protection services.

Measure I will increase the BBFA's annual revenue by approximately 27%.

Measure I is ONLY authorized to finance fire and protection/suppression and emergency medical services.

For more information: www.bigbearfire.com

STATEMENT BY PROPONENTS/AUTHORS OF ARGUMENTS

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The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the:

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 Argument Against (Opponents)
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ballot measure 1 at the Presidential Primary Election election for the
Measure Letter *Title of Election*

Big Bear Fire Authority to be held on March 3, 2020 hereby state that this
Jurisdiction *Date of Election*

argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.
his/her/their

Proponents/Authors:

1. David Caretto
Print Name

Vice-Chair, Big Bear Fire Authority
Title

2. Randall Putz
Print Name

Mayor Pro Tem, City of Big Bear Lake
Title

3. Philip Hamilton
Print Name

Former Principal, school
Title
BEAR VALLEY UNIFIED DISTRICT

4. _____
Print Name

Gloria Meade
Title

X LIFELONG COMMUNITY
VOLUNTEER AND 20-YEAR
BIG BEAR RESIDENT

BOB YBARRA

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PRESIDENT- SUGARLOAF PROPERTY
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