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**RE: PG&E WMP Underground in Montclair district, Oakland**

**Fire risk in the Oakland Hills is severe. The 1991 Oakland Hills Firestorm burnt 3500 homes and caused several fatalities. It was an urban wildfire. Conditions that made it so destructive are exactly the same in the Montclair District.**

**THE WIND: is an important factor. Winds of 50+ MPH are not uncommon. The geography of the hills causes updrafts and thermals that knock down trees and**

**Power poles.**

**The Asilomar fire of 1995, near me, was so destructive because of the wind. 4 homes burnt to the ground that were more than a block away from where the fire started. It was started by a PG&E downed power line, and spread by wind.**

**STREETS: Are narrow, winding. Access is very restrictive and limited.**

**TREES: Montclair District is heavily forested and years of drought have cause many of them to die or become stressed. There is a lot of fuel in the area.**

**These are some of the most obvious causes of severe fire risk. We don’t have to model what the risk of a disastrous fire is. It’s has already happened.**