

## EAST BAY HILLS FORESTS: INVASIVE FIRE HAZARDS OR NATURAL TREASURES?

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Participate in a community discussion of the FEMA-funded tree removal projects in the East Bay Hills, from Richmond to Hayward, which are opposed by 90% of the 13,000 comments on FEMA's Environmental Impact Statement.

Both the Sierra Club and Claremont Canyon Conservancy, which are actively promoting the downing of nearly half a million East Bay Hills trees, and are suing FEMA to demand that more trees are killed, were invited to participate on a panel of both proponents and opponents of these projects. Neither organization responded to East Bay Pesticide Alert's invitation.

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