

or scenic resources; and to maintain such open spaces in a way that will reduce the danger of fire which exists when open areas covered with vegetation remain in their natural state.

34D.

In addition to matters specified elsewhere in this subheading, the acts authorized under this subheading include the following:

(1) The formation of districts.

(2) The planning, maintaining, improving, protecting, limiting the future use of or otherwise conserving open spaces and areas within the county and the reduction of the hazards of fire, erosion, and flooding in such areas by:

(i) Clearing and removing or ordering the clearing and removal of dry grass, stubble, brush, rubbish, litter, or other inflammable material which endangers the public safety by creating a fire hazard and which is not provided for by the regular fire controls;

(ii) Acquiring, constructing and maintaining works, not otherwise regularly provided by the county which are necessary or convenient for the prevention and extinguishing of fires;

(iii) Destroying and removing noxious, dangerous or unsightly weeds;

(iv) Planting and maintaining trees, shrubs, lawns and other vegetation;

(v) Making such regulations as are necessary or desirable to limit the future use of the areas in order to maintain or enhance the conservation of their natural or scenic resources and to protect the public health and safety; and

(vi) Constructing and maintaining such other improvements as may be necessary or convenient for the accomplishment of the purposes of this subheading.

(3) The doing of all acts and things necessary or convenient for the accomplishment of the purposes of this subheading.

34E.

Proceedings for the formation of an open space maintenance district may be initiated by petition signed by the owners of assessable land in the proposed district, as shown by the last assessment roll of the county or as their names appear upon the real property ownership records of the assessor's office owning lands of an assessed value of not less than fifty-one per cent (51%) of the total assessed value of all assessable land in the district, as shown by the last county assessment roll, which lands also constitute more than one-half of the area of all assessable land in the proposed district. The petition shall contain a general description of the exterior boundaries of the proposed district. The petition shall contain a general description of the open spaces to be maintained or improved, a general description of the work or improvement to be done on the open spaces, and a statement that the petition is filed pursuant to this subheading. The petition shall be filed with the Administrative Assistant, who shall