## PROJECT NAME: RUSH CREEK

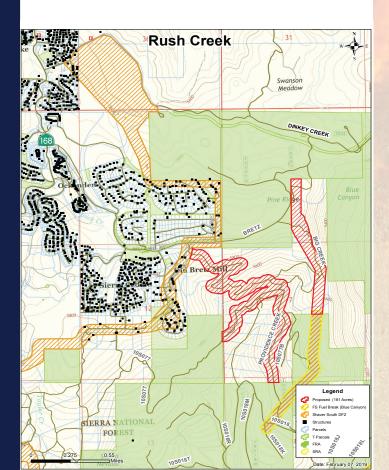


## PROJECTED COMPLETION DATE:

12/31/19

## LOCATION:

South of the subdivision of Sierra Cedars, Old Bretz Mill and Ockenden, Community of Shaver lake, Fresno County, CAL FIRE Fresno-Kings Unit.



**Summary:** This new 181-acre fuel break is in the Shaver Lake area directly adjacent to the community of Shaver and subdivisions of Sierra Cedars, Old Bretz Mill and Ockenden. This project will not only enhance forest health, but provide a fuel break that will reduce the impacts of fire to these communities. The scope of this roadside fuels reduction and ridge top fuel break is to remove the dead trees, thin the understory trees, and remove the brush. This project includes a 400-foot ridge-top shaded fuel break that will extend a newly constructed fuel break created by the USFS using a California Climate Investments Grant awarded by CAL FIRE and will connect to the Shaver South Fuel Break being created currently by CAL FIRE. The project also includes roadside clearance of 200-feet on either side of the road, creating a fuel break. This road is the only access into the Blue Canyon recreation area from the north. These roads connect to USFS roads with similar treatments and funded by the same grant. Within the road network are wells that supply water for fire suppression and potable water for the Old Bretz Mill subdivision. The Fuel Break is the last section to complete of a series of fuels breaks in the area to reduce the impacts of fire to the community of Shaver Lake. The vegetation consists of pines that have had 80% mortality due to the pest kill. Approximately 25% has already fallen, creating ground fuels. The understory consists of 8-10 foot brush.



What communities or habitats will project protect? Shaver Lake.