

# PROJECT NAME: PONDEROSA WEST GRASS VALLEY DEFENSE ZONE PROJECT

SIZE: 1,238 ACRES

## PROJECTED COMPLETION DATE:

Phase 1 by December 2019.

## LOCATION:

The project lies between Rough and Ready Highway and McCourtney Road.

## What communities or habitats will project protect?

The Ponderosa West Grass Valley Defense Zone Project protects approximately 3,000 residences in the WUI communities of Lake Wildwood, Penn Valley, Rough and Ready and the City of Grass Valley, as well as critical infrastructure for state commerce, such as State Highway 20, power and water infrastructure, and Nevada County facilities. Within 1 mile of the project, there are 7 churches, 12 bridges, 6 schools, 3 fire stations, 2 government buildings, and 4 emergency shelter sites including the county fair grounds. The area has not burned for over 100 years and fuels have been largely unmanaged and increase risk of wildfire.

The primary vegetation type is brush and timber; other types include Oak Woodland with a minimal grass and moderate brush component.

