

CAL FIRE California Investments (CCI) Program - FY 2023-24 Wildfire Prevention Grant Awards

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23-WP-AEU-57435312	El Dorado County Fire Safe Council	Defensible Space Assistance Program	El Dorado County *	\$937,888.00	The El Dorado County Fire Safe Council is requesting support from CalFire Wildfire Prevention Grants Program to support its Defensible Space Assistance Program. Households on the western slope of El Dorado County can receive services valued up to \$1,500 per property from a licensed contractor to assist with meeting defensible space requirements. To be eligible, households must be physically unable to do the work themselves and qualify as senior, veteran, disabled and/or low-income per the annual El Dorado County Low Income threshold. Of the 51,000 habitable structures within the project area, EDCFSC anticipates serving 525 households through this program. Estimated acreage treated will be 378. Additionally, we are also requesting funding to support adding geospatial integration to the management software for this program to improve the program's efficiency, evaluation and reporting efforts.

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23-WP-AEU-57437410	El Dorado Irrigation District	Sly Park Recreation Area Hazard Fuels Reduction Project	El Dorado County *	\$240,000.00	The El Dorado Irrigation District (EID) is requesting funding to purchase a skid steer and attachments to perform hazardous fuels reduction activities within the Sly Park Recreation Area (SPRA) located in Pollock Pines. SPRA consists of approximately 1,000 acres of steep forested land surrounding Jenkinson Lake reservoir, containing several campgrounds. The project area is approximately 80 acres of mixed-type timber/understory/groundcover. With the purchase of a skid steer and attachments along with appropriate training, staff can begin managing hazardous ladder fuels and understory brush in these areas, allowing CalFire to continue their work in areas of the VMP where prescribed fire can be utilized. Treatment would serve several purposes: decrease fire danger by managing fuels, decrease GHG emissions by decreasing fire starts and the need to burn piles, increase visitor safety by creating better shelter-in-place zones in the event of a large fire, and increase safety for the surrounding communities by expanding the current shaded fuel break within the VMP.

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23-WP-AEU-57498028	Amador Fire Safe Council	Volcano Hills Community Fuel Break Project	Amador County	\$1,018,204.00	The proposed Volcano Hills Community Fuel Break extends from Pioneer to Volcano. The fuel break is a total of 7.5 miles ranging from 150'-400' wide depending on terrain. Using an average of 300' width, the estimated acreage is 270 acres. This fuel break would provide protection for approximately 2065 habitable structures. These proposed fuel breaks tie in strategically with the recently established Mitchell Mine Fuel Break (17-FP-AEU-1027) and the current fuel reduction program by the AFSC on BLM parcels funded by the Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC #1370).
23-WP-AEU-57837896	Auburn Lake Trails Fire Safety and Improvement Council	Northern SFB	El Dorado County	\$1,349,400.00	The Northern SFB Project (Project), 23-WP-AEU-57837896, proposes the development of a Shaded Fuel Break (SFB) located along the border between Auburn Lake Trails (ALT) and the Auburn State Recreation Area (ASRA). The Project is designed to create and/or maintain fire resilient forest ecosystems and fire-adapted human communities. The Project will provide a buffer zone between ASRA and ALT. Private homeowners have committed to creating Defensible Space within 100 feet of their homes and if this proposal is approved, CAL FIRE would be funding the development of a SFB between the BOR work and the homeowner' Defensible Space. The Project landscape is representative of the current state of the Sierra Nevada foothills with overly dense forest stands susceptible to mortality due to drought and insect attacks, therefore exhibiting high risk of wildfire.

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23-WP-AEU-58693815	Alpine Fire Safe Council	Eastern Alpine Community Wildfire Prevention	Alpine County	\$512,435.83	The AFSC Eastern Alpine Community Wildfire Prevention project areas proposed for funding through this grant application, will mitigate existing threat of fuels within the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) and complete treatment proposed in the approved CWPP prior to a needed CWPP update. This project is comprised of three (3) work sites that when treated will support a wildfire resilient transportation corridor along Hwy 89 south of Woodfords, Ca. and reduce existing fuels within the WUI west of Markleeville to enhance wildfire safety in the Marklee Village Community. The proposed work in all three areas will focus on basal density reduction and mastication of shrub-brush fuel components as work areas are within the WUI and each serve as buffers for adjacent developments.

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23-WP-AEU-58932240	Eldorado National Forest	North Zone Eldorado Fuels Reduction and Fire Career Mentorship	El Dorado County *	\$400,000.00	<p>The Project will complete 620 acres of NEPA-ready hazardous fuels reduction and prescribed fire work on the Georgetown and Pacific Ranger Districts of Eldorado National Forest. Fuels reduction and prescribed fire are needed to increase forest stand resilience, promote safe and effective suppression and public egress in the event of a wildfire, and protect public infrastructure. This Project would scale up and expand the restoration footprint west to the Georgetown Divide area where heavy fuel loads, a relatively dense rural population, history of catastrophic wildfire and critical utility infrastructure exist. This Project will also launch an annual week-long workshop for local Golden Sierra High School Forest Management and Fire Mitigation Career Technical Education Program students. Led by experienced Forest Service fuels management officers and firefighters, the workshop, comprised of hybrid classroom- and field-based learning, would provide career mentorship in forestry and fire careers. Collectively, we will accomplish the need to accelerate the pace and scale of forest restoration, reintroduce controlled fire into fire-adapted ecosystem and maintain effective treatments well into the future through capacity building and local workforce development.</p>

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23-WP-AEU-58963020	El Dorado County Fire Safe Council	Hazardous Tree Removal Program	El Dorado County *	\$1,170,400.00	The El Dorado County Fire Safe Council is requesting support from CalFire Wildfire Prevention Grants Program to support its Hazardous Tree Removal Program, which provides financial assistance to remove hazardous (dead or dying) trees within 150 feet of permitted structures and/or access routes. A Registered Professional Forester determines which trees need to be removed, and a licensed tree contractor performs the work, up to a \$4,000 limit per property. In general, households are required to contribute 25% toward the cost; however, households below 100% of current AMI Low-Income levels will have no contribution requirement. This project is open to all property owners on the western slope of El Dorado County.
23-WP-AEU-59180688	Amador Fire Safe Council	Amador County Community Wildfire Protection Plan	Amador County	\$167,860.00	The AFSC will work with fire mitigation groups and stakeholders to revise the outdated Community Wildfire Protection Plan. The AFSC will develop inclusive and thoughtful community engagement to review the plan. This plan will be rooted in collaboration and strategic development of project and programs to increase the pre-fire mitigation and post-fire response. CWPP will identify and prioritize areas for hazardous fuel reduction treatments and recommend the types and methods of treatment that will protect the county, at-risk communities, and essential infrastructure.

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23-WP-BDU-58324922	Wildwood Watchers Fire Safe Council	Wildwood Watchers Fire Safe Council Education and Outreach Project	San Bernardino County	\$20,000.00	The Wildwood Watchers Community resides in Yucaipa, CA, a beautiful town nestled in between the main portion of the San Bernardino Mountains and the San Jacinto Range. This proposed project will address what homeowners can do to help themselves on their own properties. The project aims to fund semiannual educationally focused neighborhood in-person meetings that we have provided in the past, but with increased educational opportunities. This includes providing well designed color brochures to help residents post-meeting regarding defensible space and home hardening. Contracting relevant high profile guest speakers and presenters to speak at the meetings will help to attract more residents to attend. We are also asking for assistance to purchase a large portable TV to assist with outdoor presentations.
23-WP-BDU-58901577	Carbon Canyon Fire Safe Council	Carbon Canyon Wildfire Prevention Education	San Bernardino County	\$41,140.00	On a twice-yearly basis we will create, produce, and distribute a four-page color newsletter with information about the need to harden their home, how they can harden their home, and links to information about it can actually be done. On an annual basis we will create, produce, and distribute a two-sided color flyer with detailed information about a single subject, such as rood/eave vent coverings or how to use the 0-5 zone in an attractive and still firesafe way. We will also conduct an annual community meeting to be able to discuss important subjects with the community. We will hire a design professional to update our website to make it more accessible, improve ease of navigation, and add critical information.

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23-WP-BDU-59253408	Mountain Rim Fire Safe Council	Hazardous Fuel Reduction 24	San Bernardino County *	\$1,500,000.01	This project is for hazardous fuel reduction for properties located on non-federal lands within the Inland Empire areas of the San Bernardino mountains and adjacent WUI foothill communities. This project focuses on assisting property owners in bringing their property into compliance with fire hazard abatement guidelines and insurance violation notices related to vegetation. Treatment will include fire hazard abatement, hazardous dead / dying trees, chipping and herbivory. Through the use of trained defensible space inspectors, the program will be proactive in identifying and assisting those in need prior to the receipt of a notice or citation. While the geographic scope appears large, it only represents the boundary of the areas eligible to benefit under the project; the work will be done on a parcel by parcel.

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23-WP-BDU-59267102	Greyback Disaster Preparedness Group	ANGELUS OAKS WILDFIRE MITIGATION PROJECT	San Bernardino County *	\$92,052.80	<p>We propose to assist in green waste clean-up by providing for chipping of larger branches and cuttings twice a year, and on-site dumpsters three times per year to use for disposal of green waste. Many part-time residents and consistent turnover of full-time residents, on-going education of problems of fire threat and need for defensible space are essential. We propose newsletters, community mtgs with guest speakers, and bulletin boards with firesafe information for the community. Proper identification of residences with easy-to-see house numbers is essential for emergency responders, so we propose to establish a Home Address program to supplying home address identification of proper size and location for easy street viewing. Firesafe/Firewise supply bin is in disrepair as is our modular office and needs be replace. Angelus Oaks is quite small and Fire Safe Council does not have areas for storage or work areas, so we rely on the two buildings for our needs.</p> <p>Many of the above projects complete some of our CWPP suggestions as well as our FIREWISE Community projects.</p>
23-WP-BDU-59524440	San Bernardino Community College District	Every Yard Counts - Defensible Space Training	San Bernardino County *	\$692,351.29	<p>The San Bernardino Community College District (SBCCD), in partnership with the US Green Buildings Council of Los Angeles, is requesting funding to develop a not-for-credit Every Yard Counts curriculum to teach best practices for homeowners and business owners in fire prone environments to create defensible space. This program will be implemented to serve residents throughout San Bernardino and Riverside counties.</p>

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23-WP-BEU-57481484	Monterey County Regional Fire District	MCRFD Community Hazardous Fuels Reduction	Monterey County	\$1,063,500.00	Hazardous fuels reduction by way of shaded fuel breaks, roadway clearing, defensible space for elderly or disadvantaged residents, removal of dense dead vegetation and a multi-year residential chipping program. The work will be performed along roadsides and throughout different recognized Firewise communities located within the Monterey County Regional Fire District boundaries. Most of the shaded fuel breaks and roadway clearing that are planned follow egress and ingress routes into subdivisions located in the SRA. The rough estimate of acres to be treated is 140 and each subdivision has multiple residential structures, roughly 1,000 combined, that would benefit from the clearing and thinning of the vegetation.
23-WP-BEU-57566292	San Benito Fire Safe Council/ Fiscal Umbrella: Community Foundation for San Benito County	San Benito Fuel Reduction Project	San Benito County	\$168,894.03	Our grant request is to resurrect an on-site chipping program at the Aromas Tri-County Fire Station for residents of the unincorporated community of Aromas and to maintain a shaded fuel break along lower San Juan Canyon Road. We are requesting funding for a tree crew to clear fallen trees along the road, once per year (3 yr period). Volunteer residents of San Juan Canyon work to keep the ingress/egress clear but also need funding for large vegetation bins, 2 per year (6 total) to support their work keeping the road clear.

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23-WP-BEU-57694117	Community Association of Big Sur	Fire Adapted Big Sur Chipping Program	Monterey County *	\$1,163,250.00	The purpose of the Fire Adapted Big Sur Chipping Program is to provide an economical and environmentally responsible method for residents and businesses to dispose of accumulated slash fuels for maintaining defensible space surrounding structures, reducing the associated risk in the accumulation of fuels and burning of slash piles. The proposed Fire Adapted Big Sur Chipping Program directly supports 1) the CAL FIRE BEU 2023 Unit Strategic Fire Plan Big Sur priorities and, 2) wildfire mitigation tasks described in the Fire Adapted Communities Component of the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy. Fire Adapted Big Sur, a Community Association of Big Sur program, is committed to fire resiliency empowerment programming for this tight-knit and supportive community.

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23-WP-BEU-58661774	Santa Lucia Preserve	Strategic Fuelbreak Maintenance at the Santa Lucia Preserve	Monterey County	\$196,431.50	The Strategic Community Fuel Break Maintenance Project at the Santa Lucia Preserve, will increase in-house capabilities by the Santa Lucia Community Services District to maintain a series of roadside strategic fuel breaks with a remotely-operated masticator for the duration of this grant timeline and beyond. This Project will continue to decrease catastrophic wildfire spread to communities located in the northern Santa Lucia Range wildland urban interface. Fuel break maintenance will occur throughout the Treatment Influence Zone, which is the 20,000-acre Santa Lucia Preserve boundary. It will include a 50-ft buffer on either side of 37 miles of paved emergency access roads totaling 443 acres of existing fuel breaks. The proposed Project will allow for safer emergency ingress and egress, decrease wildfire ignition risk and rate of spread, and allow for effective control of wildfires within a strategically important section of the Carmel Valley area.

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23-WP-BEU-59266418	City of Greenfield	Greenfield Wildfire Prevention Plan	Monterey County*	\$189,263.74	The Greenfield Wildfire Prevention Plan project is a comprehensive initiative to enhance wildfire resilience in and around Greenfield, by developing the Greenfield Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) and the Salinas Valley Fuel Modification Plan (FMP). This project will encompass a 540-acre geographic area, extending from areas between the City of Soledad to King City. The project will involve various activities, including extensive data collection and analysis, community engagement and outreach, development of mitigation strategies, and preparing necessary environmental documents in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Completing the CWPP and FMP will position the City and its high-risk surrounding areas to implement wildfire mitigation strategies to safeguard the community, preserve the natural landscape, and enhance the overall resilience of the region against the threat of wildfires.

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23-WP-BTU-58936812	Butte County Fire Safe Council	Hazardous Fuels Reduction for Evacuation Safety	Butte County *	\$999,268.03	The proposed project aims to mitigate wildfire risks in Butte County's Wildland Urban Interface (WUI), treating 700 acres and 12.2 Miles of roadway across 31 very high-risk communities. Through collaboration with CAL FIRE Butte Unit, Butte County Department of Public Works and other partners, the project aims to directly assist 380 homes while safeguarding over 50,000 structures in the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) from wildfire risks. Considering the area's history of 100+ fatalities and loss of over 21,156 structures due to wildfires in the past five years alone, this project will be crucial in reducing hazardous fuels with two project activities: roadside evacuation route clearance (195 acres) and defensible space chipping (505 acres).
23-WP-BTU-59076149	Butte County Fire Safe Council	Wildfire Safety Chipper Program	Butte County *	\$449,999.70	The proposed project aims to mitigate wildfire risks in Butte County's Wildland Urban Interface (WUI), treating 975 acres and directly benefiting 733 households across 31 communities at risk as identified by the California Office of the State Fire Marshal. Within the project's focus areas, these 31 communities are recognized as bearing, very high wildfire potential. Notably, five of these communities of Butte Valley, Clipper Mills, Forbestown, Forest Ranch, and Stirling City have a wildfire potential surpassing 99% of communities nationwide, emphasizing the significant vulnerabilities and the pressing need for the proposed project's interventions.

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23-WP-CZU-58433007	The Regents of the University of California, Santa Cruz	UCSC Wildfire Prevention Program Phase 2	Santa Cruz County *	\$93,622.00	The University of California, Santa Cruz (UCSC) is proposing a hazardous fuel reduction project on 1,212.7 acres of its main campus to increase safety and protect lives, critical infrastructure, buildings, campus and private residences, research facilities, and protected landscapes. UCSC proposes to remove two large eucalyptus groves on the main campus. Removal of an additional 0.1 acres of invasive acacia trees (approximately 30 trees) at the Center for Agroecology's Chadwick Garden near McLaughlin Drive is proposed to protect additional campus facilities and a critical, major campus egress. UCSC will purchase critical equipment and supplies to support effective hazardous fuels reduction year-round totaling 1,197 acres of State-owned property through improved management of acreage in moderate fire zones. This will improve efforts to protect lives (both residents and daily populations), academic and research structures, egress routes, and critical habitats during the grant period and subsequent years.

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23-WP-CZU-59043161	Fire Safe Santa Cruz County	Soquel San Jose Rd Evac Rt Phase2	Santa Cruz County	\$999,998.00	This project continues work funded under grants 21-FP (5GG21209) and 22-WP (5GG22115). It continues implementation of a roadside fuel reduction project by the Fire Safe Council of Santa Cruz County. Soquel San-Jose Road, a critical evacuation route, will receive an additional 5.2 miles of hazardous fuel reduction treatment in and adjacent to the road right-of-way through cooperative partnerships with the Fire Safe County Roads program of the Santa Cruz Mountains Alliance and Santa Cruz County Roads Maintenance Division. Evacuation route fuels reduction treatment will help protect lives of motorists and help save neighborhoods as well as provide safer ingress for first responders in the event of a fast moving wildfire. The project also supports wildfire preparedness throughout the WUI in Santa Cruz County by continuing funding for a county-wide chipping program. On-site chipping services will be provided for material cleaned from residents' defensible space clearing efforts, helping reduce wildfire impacts to homes.

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23-WP-FKU-57521061	County of Fresno	2023-24 Hazardous Fuels Reduction & Wildfire Prevention Education	Fresno County *	\$3,000,000.00	The project will treat approximately 722 acres in roadside clearance, and approximately 1,000 acres in community protection through hazardous trees and ground fuels removal and disposal. A minimum of 1,000 habitable structures will be further protected with treatments that remove hazard trees and ground fuels within 300 feet of structures. Fire escape routes will be treated for safe evacuations and first responder ingress. Approximately 12,000 dead or dying hazard trees and 50,000 cubic yards of ground fuels have been identified for removal in the entire project area. This project will reduce wildfire risks, protect lives and property, increase safety for the public and first responders, and provide safer ingress and egress. The proposed addition of a Wildfire Prevention Education component to the Tree Mortality/Forest Health Program will provide education to property owners, and everyone who enjoys the forest, on ways to prevent a wildfire and increase survivability of a wildfire.

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23-WP-HUU-58640739	County of Humboldt	Humboldt County CWPP Update	Humboldt County *	\$300,000.00	The County of Humboldt, on behalf of the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council (HCFSC), is seeking funding to support a strategic update to the 2019 countywide Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). The majority of the State Responsibility Area (SRA) within the county is characterized by wildland urban interface conditions with over 20,000 habitable structures scattered across the landscape. Keeping the CWPP relevant and actionable, reinvigorates the collaborative process with which it was last updated and puts a finer point on project area identification and prioritization. This project will ensure that the plan continues to serve as an effective tool for addressing the most pressing needs of Humboldt County communities and landscapes related to wildfire and disaster preparedness and resilience.
23-WP-KRN-57190639	Kern Fire Safe Council	Kern County CWPP 2024 Update	Kern County *	\$207,362.40	This project is to update the Kern County CWPP. The updated CWPP would include a story map, hub site and project tracking application. There are three focus areas in the plan referred to as Lake Isabella, Tehachapi, and Mt. Pinos. The focus areas were delineated based on the 2020 Kern County Fire Department Strategic Plan and the Core Team's input. The County comprises a diverse landscape and land ownership but a population with a common concern: the need to prepare for wildfire to reduce the risk of loss of life and property.

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23-WP-KRN-58084765	Kern Fire Safe Council	Hart Flat Community Protection Project	Kern County *	\$538,027.86	The proposed project consists of 6 sections that complete the fuel break on the southern and eastern sides of the community. The types of treatment include grading existing dirt roads, mastication, hand cutting and piling, chipping, and pile burning. The target treatment is a total width of 100 feet, where achievable. The proposed treatment area will traverse dozens of properties. CEQA compliance will be established by hiring an environmental consultant to produce an MND or VTP project specific analysis. All cultural and biological resources will be considered. The first year of the project will focus on environmental compliance and implementing standard project requirements, establishing community education and support, and right to enter documentation from property owners. Years 2-5 of the project will be the construction of the break.
23-WP-KRN-59182761	BEAR VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT	Hazardous Fuels Reduction-ROW Mower	Kern County	\$170,704.84	The following equipment being requested is commonly used by the Bear Valley Community Services District Public Works department. All of these pieces of equipment are utilized for a large assortment of jobs, most regularly for fire clearance/fuel reduction purposes. The CSD is now in a position where we are limited in what equipment is available as we have been/will be forced to retire all of the equipment on this list due to California Air Resources Board emissions regulations. This will greatly impede our ability to provide safe fire clearance rights-of-way or firebreaks to the community of Bear Valley Springs.

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23-WP-KRN-59489183	BEAR VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT	Bear Valley Springs Hazardous Fuels Reduction Phase III	Kern County	\$1,989,000.00	The objective of the Bear Valley Springs Fuels Reduction Project is to utilize a professional logging company to fall, limb, buck and remove trees and treat slash over about 1000 acres within a project area of 2600 acres in Bear Valley Springs, CA. There are also several protected native American archeological and cultural preserves in the immediate area. The continuation of removing dead trees, slash and other woody biomass which will reduce the amount of greenhouse gases released from the decomposition of the tree trunks and woody biomass. In addition, the project will clear the way to replant and restore the forest which will further reduce greenhouse emissions.
23-WP-LAC-57396856	Santa Monica Regional Fire Safe Council, Inc.	Santa Monica Mountains Regional Fire Safe Council Outreach Project I	Los Angeles County	\$803,755.68	The Santa Monica Mountains Regional Fire Safe Council (SMMRFSC) is an umbrella Fire Safe Council with a large service area based off the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area (SMMNRA) boundary. The SMMRFSC service area encompasses 134,284 acres within Los Angeles County and comprises 62,527 acres of LRA, 57,252 acres of SRA, 13,101 acres of FRA, and approximately 20,000 habitable structures. Nearly 98% of this service area falls under CAL FIRE's Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (VHFHSZ) and virtually 48% of the service area is classified as wildland urban interface (WUI). SMMRFSC aims to provide a holistic and comprehensive approach with respect to wildfire resilience and community engagement.

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23-WP-LAC-57396958	Santa Monica Mountains Regional Fire Safe Council, Inc.	City of Agoura Hills CWPP	Los Angeles County	\$133,241.84	<p>The Agoura Hills Fire Safe Council and City of Agoura Hills are interested in developing a Community Wildfire Protection Plan for the boundaries of the City of Agoura Hills and adjacent WUI/open space areas. There are approximately 3,692 acres of wildland urban interface, 7,000 habitable structures and more than 20,000 people within the City of Agoura Hills's limits. The City, along with the Santa Monica Mountains Regional Fire Safe Council and the Agoura Hills Fire Safe Council plan to capture and expand on this ongoing momentum within the city at both the private and public level. The Santa Monica Mountains Regional Fire Safe Council is comprised of subject matter experts capable of managing a CAL FIRE Wildfire Prevention grant for the purpose of contracting private environmental consultants to develop and implement this CWPP for the City of Agoura Hills.</p>

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23-WP-LAC-58984447	City of La Canada Flintridge	City of La Canada Flintridge Wildfire Prevention Project	Los Angeles County	\$98,615.00	The City of La Cañada Flintridge Wildfire Prevention Project has been devised as a comprehensive strategy to address the imminent threat posed by heavy brush, tall shrubs, non-native grasses, and densely populated trees that contribute to a substantial fuel load in designated parcels (5864028901 and 5864028900) located just north and upslope from the bordering La Cañada Flintridge neighborhood communities. The primary objective of the Wildfire Prevention Project is to implement targeted grazing initiatives within specified City of parcels to effectively reduce the fuel load, minimizing the potential for rapid fire spread and catastrophic destruction. By strategically managing vegetation through controlled grazing, the project aims to create defensible spaces and enhance the overall resilience of the community against the ever-present threat of wildfires.

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23-WP-LAC-59072742	Emergency Preparedness in Calabasas	Community Wildfire Outreach, Education, and Mitigation	Los Angeles County	\$99,930.00	EPIC-FSC will continue our successful outreach and education in home hardening in the Calabasas region. Our efforts to spread the message through lectures, press releases, media interviews (see the News Section on our website at www.epic-fsc.com), and word-of-mouth will be augmented by a smartphone App we created that will be free to Calabasas residents. In addition, we are requesting funding for critical foliage removal expenses. Almost 20% of the Calabasas population is elderly and living on a fixed income. During a HIZE appointment we are frequently asked if we can help in the removal of foliage in the Ember Resistance Zone, trimming of ladder plants, or trimming of overhanging tree branches. As part of this grant we intend to offer valuable financial assistance in the form of rebates to our elderly neighbors who otherwise financially would not be able to make the recommended mitigations.
23-WP-LAC-59078891	Malibu West Fire Safe Council, Inc.	2024-Running of the Goats in Malibu West	Los Angeles County	\$30,000.05	Because the steep terrain makes it difficult for crews with chainsaws and weed whackers to adequately clear the dense brush surrounding our community, for the past two years Malibu West has contracted with Ventura Brush Goats to successfully clear those critical 13 acres. 250 goats can climb into steep and awkward places inaccessible to human crews, and create fire breaks by eliminating invasive brush while fertilizing the soil. In addition, we have made our vegetation clearance events educational and outreach programs for the larger community, reaching over 700 people at our free, public "Running of the Goats". Other neighborhoods in Malibu have followed our lead and employed the goats for strategic brush clearance.

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23-WP-LMU-57314524	Lassen Fire Safe Council, Inc	North Susanville WUI Fuels Treatment Project	Lassen County *	\$2,999,924.32	The North Susanville WUI Fuels Treatment Project is a shovel ready project that will build on previous fuels reduction work to implement hazardous fuels reduction treatments across 1,947 acres and remove dead, dying, and hazardous trees from within 150 feet of homesites within and adjacent to the wildland urban interface (WUI) for the communities of Susanville and Lake Forest. Project priorities are to expand and maintain the County Road A-1 fuelbreak, reduce hazardous fuels from the Petesburg neighborhood, reduce hazardous fuels along strategic public roads, continue landscape fuels reduction within the WUI, and remove dead and or dying trees from within 150 feet of the 3,520 habitable structures. Treatments include: Biomass utilization; Dead, dying, and hazard tree removal within 150' of a residence; mastication and pre-emergent brush treatments; and hand thinning and chipping adjacent to public roads.

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23-WP-LMU-58474046	Lassen Fire Safe Council, Inc.	LFSC LNF Dixie Fire Hazard Tree Project	Lassen County *	\$2,999,987.85	The LFSC LNF Dixie Fire Hazard Tree Project is a partnership project to implement hazard tree removal in the 2021 Dixie Fire footprint. Hazardous fuels will be reduced across approximately 29 miles on 1,043 acres through removing hazard trees adjacent to Lassen National Forest System Roads. The USDA Forest Service Region 5 Central Sierra Zone Post-Disturbance Hazardous Tree Management Environmental Assessment NEPA decision authorizes the removal of fire-killed and fire-damaged trees (hazardous trees) adjacent to national Forest System roads, trails, and facilities within the Dixie Fire footprint. The Lassen National Forest prioritizes wildfire prevention and resilience projects that prevent or minimize the effects of catastrophic wildfire in the wildland-urban interface, especially those projects that benefit priority populations.
23-WP-LNU-57791150	The Napa Communities Firewise Foundation	Greater Berryessa WUI Wildfire Preparedness: Grazing, D Space, Signage, and Response	Napa County *	\$1,102,943.46	The Greater Berryessa WUI project will provide a comprehensive approach to wildfire preparedness around Lake Berryessa in eastern Napa County by grazing 226 acres, masticating 48 acres, and treating 3 miles (49 acres) along public roads, together reducing 323 acres of hazardous fuels to directly protect ~100 structures; providing defensible space cost-share to 50 homes; installing 5 Beacon Boxes for efficient first response; providing 600 reflective address signs; and supporting Napa Firewise countywide community outreach and education wildfire preparedness efforts.

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23-WP-LNU-57980012	Yolo County Resource Conservation District	Yolo County RCD Fire Resilience Program Implementation 1	Yolo County *	\$701,628.05	The Yolo County RCD Fire Resilience Program Implementation will focus on protecting people, structures, and communities in high fire-risk communities in western Yolo County and adjacent areas in Solano County. The Yolo County Resource Conservation District (YCRCD), in coordination with Solano RCD, will implement Community Wildfire Protection Plan hazardous fuels reduction projects for wildfire risk reduction spanning 14 communities. Proposed projects will be shovel-ready because the YCRCD has current funding to plan and complete environmental compliance for prescribed grazing, prescribed fire, shaded fuel breaks, and roadside clearance. Fuels reduction projects will remove flashy fuels, ladder fuels, and shrubby understory to minimize the risk of wildfire spreading rapidly. Vegetation management projects in this proposal will provide buffers around communities and along highway corridors to limit fire spread. Without treatment, these fuels will burn hotter and faster in the event of a wildfire, making fires more difficult to manage and potentially impacting evacuation corridors.

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23-WP-LNU-58262617	The Mayacamas Volunteer Fire Foundation	Mayacamas Cavedale Trinity Triangle Fuel Reduction Project	Sonoma County	\$447,428.80	The Mayacamas Cavedale Trinity Triangle Fuel Reduction Project (CTTFRP) will complete important wildfire resilience work related to fuel reduction and improved wildfire response at an important topographical location along the Napa Sonoma border. Fuel treatments will include grazing almost 50 acres of hazardous fuels, while preparing an additional ~70 acres for prescribed pile and possible broadcast burning. Higher cost areas of pile and broadcast prep will pave the way for lower cost grazing in the future. The project will directly protect dozens of structures as well as critical county evacuation routes, in addition to providing a key containment opportunity to prevent fire from threatening the communities. The grant will also install two Beacon Boxes (or similar).

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23-WP-LNU-58882222	Sonoma County Agricultural Preservation and Open Space District	Northside Russian River Shaded Fuel Break project	Sonoma County *	\$1,840,856.36	This project aims to create three shaded fuel breaks totaling 13 miles along the ridgelines above these communities. Local community organizations have worked with Sonoma County and local CALFIRE professional to design fuel treatments under the California Vegetation Treatment Program (CAL VTP). The initial treatments for each shaded fuel break have been designed to maintain wildlife habitat and forest health. Specifically, the shaded fuel breaks will be established along strategic topographic locations, adjacent to existing roads and skid trails. Mastication equipment or hand crews will remove excessive small trees and shrubs to reduce woody ladder fuels, remove excessive standing dead wood, masticate, chip or lop woody debris to less than 18" height, prune trees a minimum of 10 feet above ground, control nonnative trees and shrubs, and retain the largest and best trees to provide shade to reduce vegetation regrowth and overall understory occupancy. These vegetation treatments will help to create a calming zone adjacent to the ridgetop fuel break aiding fire-fighting suppression activities during a wildfire.

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23-WP-MEU-58699545	Mendocino County Fire Safe Council	Bell Springs and DSAFIE	Mendocino County *	\$993,927.00	<p>Project Component 1: Roadside fuel reduction/shaded fuel-break creation along Bell Springs Road and will clear 60' from the centerline of Bell Springs Road, representing approximately 73 acres of hazardous fuel reduction along 5 miles, and protecting 90"200 habitable structures. Project Component 2: Three years of funding for our DSAFIE program (Defensible-Space Assistance For Income-Eligible seniors and persons with disabilities) will allow us to continue and expand our efforts to create adequate defensible spaces around the homes of those who cannot otherwise achieve or afford it. Project Component 3: Minimal amount of funding to trial a part-time Prescribed Burn Acceleran position. Reducing wildfire risk significantly over the long run will require reestablishing controlled burning on a significant scale, far beyond what government agencies alone can accomplish. This position will work with, promote, and support the efforts of the volunteer Mendocino County Prescribed Burn Association.</p>

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23-WP-MEU-59075373	Ethos Environmental	Spyrock Safe Access	Mendocino County *	\$998,592.00	<p>Improving ingress and egress safety, reduce wildfire risk and aid in fire suppression activities through fuel reduction treatments and Safety Zone locations along Spy Rock Road, Iron Peak and Simmerly Roads. Mendocino County Fire Safe Council in with Ethos Environmental will remove ~130 acres of overstocked fuels along 10.5 miles of central access roads. The project area contains mixed conifer, oak woodlands and grasslands with dense understory of woody shrubs. Vegetation will be thinned within the road right-of-way, terrain and fire patterns determining depth of removal up to 50' from roads edge. Hand crews will remove small trees, brush and surface fuels, improving tree spacing to decrease the spread of crown fires. Ladder fuels on larger trees will be removed to 10 feet. Hazard trees dangerous to roadway, people or infrastructure will be dropped. Slash will be chipped or lop and scattered. Three community FSC's with Ethos Environmental and MCFSC will hold community meetings to increase understanding, the importance and simplicity of ongoing maintenance and fire-hardening to ensure the continued effectiveness of these defensible spaces. CEQA is complete and road easements exist making this project shovel-ready.</p>

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23-WP-MEU-59153512	Leggett Valley Fire Protection District	Leggett Valley Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project	Mendocino County *	\$1,070,294.85	The Leggett Valley Fire Protection District in northern Mendocino County proposes to remove hazardous vegetation along approximately 30 miles/200 acres of private roads and driveways serving around 300 habitable structures in the District. The purpose of this fuel reduction project is to reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfire, reduce the rate of spread of fire, create safe ingress and egress, and reduce the forest fuel load along roadways. The area has not burned in the last half-century and fuel loading in the area poses a potentially serious threat for a devastating wildfire.
23-WP-MMU-58342855	Madera County Fire Department	Madera County Hazardous Fuel Reduction/Maintenance Continued Support Project	Madera County *	\$46,010.22	The proposed project takes place under the Hazardous Fuels Reduction category and consists of the purchase of supporting equipment and supplies. The specific equipment purchased under this new project will be used to outfit and complement the existing equipment and enhance operations to conduct hazardous fuels treatment activities in the WUI areas surrounding the SRA in Madera County. This equipment will provide the ability to treat approximately 300 +/- acres annually inside existing fuel breaks and fuels reduction projects. Equipment and supplies to purchase with CCI WP grant funds totals \$46,442.43 and includes: New Tracks and Parts for the Caterpillar 299D3 Compact Track Loader Tractor, Caterpillar 309CR Compact Excavator Tractor , and Caterpillar HM418 and HM120 Mulchers.

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23-WP-MMU-58467316	Mariposa County	Mariposa County Roadside Vegetation Treatment	Mariposa County *	\$2,075,922.02	Mariposa County Roadside Vegetation Treatment project will provide critically needed wildfire vegetation management along county-maintained roadways in Mariposa County to help prevent the ignition and spread of wildfires, increase safe evacuation capabilities and fire responder ingress and egress, and provide a program to educate community members about the importance of county maintenance of roadside vegetation. The fuels management aspect of this project will include roadside vegetation treatment, as well as equipment and supplies necessary for implementation and ongoing maintenance. The primary focus of this project is Hazardous Fuels Reduction, with Wildfire Prevention Education as a secondary focus.
23-WP-MMU-58953198	Timberview Area Firewise Improvement Council Inc. (TAFIC)	Timberview Area Firewise Improvement Council (TAFIC) Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project V	Madera County	\$162,500.00	The Timberview Area Firewise Improvement Council (TAFIC) is an active Firewise community located in the Central Sierra foothills. The project will be in addition to previous and current grant projects to remove hazardous fuels that endanger residences and the surrounding forest. This grant will enable us to: (1) hire contractors to treat 35 parcel acres of hazardous fuels consisting of bark beetle induced tree die-off and heavy under brush, (2) increase awareness of the importance of community involvement and responsibility in promoting Firewise communities, and (3) demonstrate the benefits of the partnership between private communities and CalFire in achieving California's Strategic Fire Plan. All hazardous fuels will be masticated or chipped for erosion protection and to facilitate greenhouse emission limitation.

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23-WP-MMU-59040629	Mariposa Fire Safe Council, Inc.	Fremont Fuel Reduction	Mariposa County *	\$419,743.52	The Fremont Fuel Reduction project will thin fuels on 66 acres of land that wraps around our ONLY county hospital, John C. Fremont (JCF). On the campus is the only long-term skilled nursing facility in the county. The brush between the encampment and the hospital is overgrown and prime for a fast-moving wildfire. The Fremont Fuel Reduction area consists of moderate to heavy mature shrub fuels with volatile oils including toyon, chaparral, manzanita, live oak, and some ponderosa pine. If the receptive acreage is treated, fire intensity will be greatly diminished, and control efforts will be improved drastically. The JCF campus buffers the town of Mariposa from the unmanaged wildlands.
23-WP-MMU-59040644	Mariposa Fire Safe Council, Inc.	Lushmeadows Ladder Fuels, Phase Two	Mariposa County *	\$999,830.72	The Lushmeadows Ladder Fuels Project, Phase Two, will be a 160-acre fuel removal project in Mariposa County. This project is the next step of a comprehensive approach to a community at extreme risk. The housing concentration is a critical fire fuel condition with dense brush and tangles of dead pines, encouraging a rapid house-to house-fire spread. We will remove the densest fuel islands from the areas of housing concentration in the center of the subdivision, and around the two lakes. The approximate number of structures at risk in the entire Lushmeadows subdivision is 960. The community area immediately around the subdivision has a conservative estimate of habitable structures count of 3,255.

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23-WP-NEU-57888071	Tahoe Truckee Airport District	Waddle Fuel Reduction	Nevada County	\$1,499,960.00	The proposed project consists of Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) fuel reduction treatment type located in Nevada and Placer Counties south of the Town of Truckee and south and west of the Glenshire subdivision. Existing shaded fuel breaks are present on approximately 517 acres of the 1,465-ownership, and these would be maintained following standards of the WUI fuel reduction treatment type described in a Vegetation Treatment Plan (VTP). The proposed treatment activities that would be used to implement the project are manual treatments and prescribed burning (pile and broadcast burning) on approximately 275 acres covered under an in process VTP. The project objective is to restore the existing forest to a more fire resilient condition while increasing forest health and reducing the risk of wildfire. Proposed vegetation treatments would decrease fire intensity and increase forest health by reducing the fuel load, increasing canopy spacing, and reducing ladder fuels, while allowing fire to be reintroduced to the ecosystem.

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23-WP-NEU-57892000	Placer County Resource Conservation District	Placer County Chipper Program	Placer County *	\$1,180,000.00	The Placer County Chipper Program, a vital initiative offering a cost-effective curbside chipping service to residents in Placer County. This program encourages property owners to manage vegetation on their lands, creating defensible space and minimizing the overall risk of wildfires. Research has shown that this approach fosters community engagement, as property owners are more likely to clear their properties of flammable materials when they have an affordable and convenient method for disposing of woody debris. The program utilizes chipper crews from the Placer County Probation Department's Alternative Sentencing Program. This model has proven successful in meeting the demand, ensuring the program's effectiveness and sustainability.

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23-WP-NEU-57903291	Placer County Office of Emergency Services	County of Placer County-Wide Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)	Placer County *	\$350,000.00	<p>With the recent wildfires that have devastated California, many residents and stakeholder groups are looking for ways to collaborate and strengthen wildfire mitigation efforts. The opportunity to develop and follow a mitigation plan allows individuals and organizations to work together towards a common goal and make a difference in the fight against wildfires.</p> <p>To support these efforts, Placer County requests funding to develop a County-wide Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). The CWPP helps build resilient landscapes by focusing on recommendations for fuel treatments and watershed protection throughout the county. The CWPP supports Fire-Adapted Communities by focusing on recommendations for actions to prevent structural ignitability and public education and outreach. The CWPP supports Safe and Effective Wildfire Response by focusing on suggestions for activities that address firefighting capability and wildfire readiness.</p>

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23-WP-NEU-57986163	Yuba County Resource Conservation District	Yuba Foothills Hazard Fuel Reduction	Yuba County *	\$499,844.80	The Yuba Foothills Hazard Fuel Reduction project will focus on removal of hazardous fuel loading outside of private landowner's immediate "Defensible Space". Properties in the Yuba county foothills vary in size from less than half an acre up to more that a thousand acres. This great range in sizes has left many landowners without the financial or physical means to care for their land properly and reduce the threat of catastrophic wildfire to the near by communities. The Yuba Foothills Hazard Fuel Reduction will treat approximately 500 acres of land that is a mixture of Oak Woodland, Conifer Forest and hill sides covered with Manzanita and other highly flammable shrubs and grasses. The project will include development of a forest management plan for each property included, as well as implementation of the prescription suggested by the Registered Professional Forester. Through this process the Yuba County Resource Conservation District and Cal Fire will achieve greater protection of life and property as well as increasing fire fighter safety and effectiveness from catastrophic wildfire.

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23-WP-NEU-58367543	Placer County Resource Conservation District	Prescribed Burning on Private Lands (PBPL)	Placer County *	\$1,001,539.84	<p>The Prescribed Burning on Private Lands (PBPL) Program trains private landowners and community members in Placer County on the safe, legal, and ecologically beneficial application of prescribed fire. The PBPL Program teaches wildfire literacy and directly addresses barriers to prescribed fire implementation by combining classroom workshops with on-the-ground demonstration burns. The RCD staff will collect information on acres treated by landowners and by the Placer Prescribed Burn Association (Placer PBA) and will conduct two high complexity prescribed burns per year. This program benefits landowners in Placer County and beyond and may protect more than 172,350 habitable structures. This proposal will fund the PBPL Program for 3 years.</p>

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23-WP-NEU-58368272	Placer County Agriculture, Parks, and Natural Resources Department	Cabin Creek Fuels Reduction and Community Safety Project	Placer County	\$400,000.00	The Cabin Creek Fuels Reduction and Community Safety project seeks to decrease fuel loads and reduce the risk of wildfire in eastern Placer County along Highway 89. The Cabin Creek ERL is vital for disposing of residential and commercial waste, including green waste, and managing recycling in eastern Placer County and North Tahoe-Truckee. To address the risk of wildfire in this area, the County Parks Division identified 144 acres around the ERL that require fuel reduction and wildfire resilience treatment. Reducing wildfire risk on County-owned land augments work being conducted by the USDA Forest Service (USFS) on surrounding lands as part of its 6,151-acre Five Creeks Project. These combined efforts are crucial due to the proximity of the heavily wooded ERL industrial site to WUI residential areas, the Truckee River, and other key assets. The proposed project also protects the ERL's important role in helping local jurisdictions meet state-mandated waste diversion goals for trash, household hazardous wastes, recyclables, and green/wood wastes.

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23-WP-NEU-59470408	Nevada County Resource Conservation District	NEUNCORXFIRE	Nevada County *	\$509,592.60	The Nevada County Resource Conservation District (RCD) proposes a fuel hazard reduction project to treat fuels and increase capacity of ranchers to prescribe burn. This project will conduct the more technical entry level burns and make later maintenance burns and other treatments feasible for the ranchers. Fuels reduction is the primary objective but the project will also include education through two workshops. A burn trailer will be outfitted to support local contingency resources and increase capacity for future rancher lead burns. Participants and the broader community, through media, will gain increased awareness of their responsibility and value of prescribed burning in reducing fuels on ranches, within and next to communities. The ranching community across neighboring counties will be invited to participate to increase broader regional capacity for ranch burning.
23-WP-ORC-57130213	California Sustainability Group, Inc.	Hilltoppers Fire Safe Committee Project	Orange County	\$2,989,297.82	The primary focus of the grant is to remove hazardous fuel that can no longer be maintained to the OCFA vegetation management standards. The grant will remove plant material, mainly Acacia redolens, and species found on the OCFA Vegetation Management Guidelines Removal List, such as junipers and cypress, from approximately 1,954,494.9 square feet or 44.9 acres. This will help reduce the fuel load along evacuation routes and minimize the risk of fire. In addition, the grant will remove 198 trees recommended for removal by OCFA due to their location or species, such as Mexican fan palms, junipers and cypress on the recommended removal list in the OCFA Vegetation Management Guidelines.

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23-WP-ORC-57370279	California Sustainability Group, Inc.	Orange County Firesafe Council CAR Community Hardening Phase 1 Project	Orange County	\$1,938,704.32	The Orange County Fire Safe Council CAR Community Hardening Phase 1 Project is a multi-phased project aiming to stay up to date with meeting the new standards set by CAL FIRE and Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA) for defensible space and real estate disclosure. The project will focus on removing hazardous fuels, creating vertical and horizontal spacing, hardening perimeter slopes with fuel mod maintenance, and removal of 953 eucalyptus species on interior slopes to safeguard 1,228 single family homes in the LRA Very High and LRA High Fire Hazard Severity Zones.
23-WP-ORC-58700857	City of Newport Beach	Buck Gully Reserve Hazardous Fuel Thinning and Reduction Project	Orange County	\$449,763.69	The City of Newport Beach requests funding for the Buck Gully Reserve Hazardous Fuel Reduction Project. The project will reduce vegetation in a 100-foot wide, 1.2-mile long, 14.69-acre buffer area between the rear of residential properties and the adjacent 254-acre Buck Gully Reserve. The City will hire experienced contractors to complete the work which will involve thinning/trimming brush and shrubs, thinning/limbing trees, canopy reduction, and recycling of all biomass. The Project will bring the area into compliance with local Guidelines and Standards, reduce GHG emissions due to reduced wildfire frequency and intensity, expand access for fire personnel to the fire perimeter, and create optimal conditions that will make ongoing maintenance feasible. The accompanying educational component will keep residents informed about the purpose and outcomes of the project, and encourage residents' own wildfire mitigation activities.

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23-WP-RRU-58300485	Idyllwild Fire Protection District	Idyllwild Right of Way Fuel Reduction	Riverside County	\$939,955.00	<p>The Idyllwild Fire Protection District is seeking funding to implement a project identified in the San Jacinto Mountains Community Wildfire Protection Plan. The District's project name is the Idyllwild Public Easements and Right-of-Ways, the project description is identify and remove fuels from public easements and rights-of-way, including walking paths and utility easements. The District has identified 269 acres of easements and right-of-ways that need to be evaluated and treated. Reducing fuel loading will ensure safe evacuation routes during a wildfire. Some areas in the District have a significant ground and ladder fuel load increasing the potential for devastating crown fires. The brush fields adjacent to and intermixed with the timber component can easily transfer a fire front into the timber. This reduction in fuel will also provide for firefighter safety during suppression operations on a wildfire.</p>

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23-WP-RRU-58591327	Southwest Riverside County Fire Safe Council	Southwest Riverside County Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project - Part Two	Riverside County	\$240,879.10	<p>The primary focus of this grant application is on three Hazardous Fuels Reduction Projects. There are also Planning and Educational components in this grant application. All projects are thoroughly described in the Scope of Work. The locations for the Brush Collection/Chipping Project are the Santa Rosa Plateau in Murrieta. These locations are in very high risk WUI communities with habitable structures totaling 1,200 in Murrieta and 133 homesites in Lake Elsinore. Historically, acres treated through this project for the three sites average 388 acres per each spring and fall collection event. One Pilot Project is for Roadside Treatment on 13 acres in a section of Riverside County located on the Santa Rosa Plateau. This specific area has a disturbing history of fires initiated along the roadsides and spreading into the adjacent residential communities. The project consists of roadside clearing through mowing, with specific attention to clearing sloping banks, and hand clearing of tumbleweeds and other flammable material. The other Pilot Project is launching a new brush collection/chipping project in The Trails Property Owners Association on the Santa Rosa Plateau with 50 habitable structures. This project will take place once a year in the Spring for five years, beginning in 2025 and is estimated to treat 125 acres the first year.</p>

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23-WP-RRU-58730151	City of Riverside	Santa Ana River Wildfire Prevention Project- Phase 2	Riverside County *	\$1,808,800.00	The Santa Ana River Fire Prevention Project is a multiphase, 86.9-acre hazardous fuels reduction effort in the City of Riverside. Under this grant proposal we plan to treat 46.9 acres, removing invasive, non-native tree species and non-native understory vegetation. Without treatment, the Boy Scout Camp presents a substantial wildfire threat to the park, nearby communities, significant infrastructure, and thousands of residents and visitors. Project activities will include a variety of eradication techniques to remove 850 palm trees over 4" diameter and 375 Eucalyptus trees over 3" diameter and other invasive non-native plants.
23-WP-RRU-59372825	Riverside County Regional Park and Open-Space District	Santa Ana River Bottom Hazardous Fuels Reduction	Riverside County *	\$1,704,663.74	In order to mitigate for wildfire damage, RivCoParks' project goal is to decrease the potential of catastrophic wildfires in the Santa Ana River bottom by reducing ladder fuels in 41.54 treatment acres through removing and controlling invasive non-native plants like giant reed and conducting vegetation management. These efforts will reduce fuels and contribute to the slowing, stopping, and prevention of future wildfires, while also protecting and helping enhance and restore sensitive environmental resources. These efforts would also build resilience in adjacent communities, while restoring ecological health of our native landscapes and watershed. RivCoParks' project goal aims to assist in providing further protection for the residents in the communities surrounding the HVWA, in addition to protecting these sensitive species and their habitats, while reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

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23-WP-RRU-59501029	City of Murrieta	City of Murrieta Fuel Reduction Project	Riverside County	\$2,653,344.00	This project intends to increase defensible space and roadside protection between habitable structures and open spaces within Murrieta, improving fire safety for more than 115,000 residents and in excess of 32,000 structures within the city. The target areas for treatment are city-owned open space properties that pose a threat to privately owned structures or infrastructure. In addition to treating city-owned properties, this project intends to develop a Community Wildland Protection Plan (CWPP). The Murrieta CWPP will be developed to directly align with our neighboring city of Temecula's new CWPP and the existing CWPP for the Southwest Riverside County Fire Safe Council that borders Murrieta's Western and Northern borders. This will provide a long-term strategic plan to continue with the fuel reduction protocols after the termination of the grant performance period, if awarded.

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23-WP-SBC-58013260	Santa Barbara County Fire Safe Council	Resilient Firewise Communities	Santa Barbara County *	\$2,295,474.42	The Resilient Firewise Communities is a comprehensive project that contributes to reducing wildfire risk in Firewise USA communities in Santa Barbara County. The Firewise USA program is designed to get communities organized, understand their specific wildfire risk, make a plan to reduce that risk, and take actionable steps to accomplish their risk reduction plan. Through 4 tasks the Santa Barbara County Fire Safe Council (SBCFSC) will help various Firewise communities accomplish risk reduction tasks listed in their 3-year action plans and provide continued support that contributes to the wildfire resilience of the growing Firewise USA community network in Santa Barbara County: 1) maintenance of existing community defensible space (38 acres), 2) community chipping (for 1,112 structures), 3) grazing (350 acres), and 4) create new Firewise communities (approx. 5/year) and assist all Firewise communities to accomplish risk reduction activities listed in their action plans.

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23-WP-SBC-58171452	USDA Forest Service	Santa Barbara Mountain CDZ (SBMCDZ)	Santa Barbara County *	\$868,795.20	This proposed project, the Santa Barbara Mountain Communities Defense Zone (SBMCDZ), is situated in an area historically prone to large wildfires. The SBMCDZ project will directly improve wildfire resiliency for approximately 1000 single-family residences located in the SRA. The SBMCDZ project proposes to create and maintain linear fuel breaks and buffer zones surrounding the communities to improve ingress egress routes during a wildfire, reduce ignition potential, and improve access for fire suppression resources. These objectives will be achieved using various methods to change the vegetation profiles surrounding the communities listed in the SBMCDZ project. These methods include brush removal using chipping, masticating, chainsaw, and prescribed fire techniques. The desired outcome of the SBMCDZ project is to treat vegetation in such a way as to enhance community protection and structural survivability and decrease the risk of human life in the event of a catastrophic wildfire.

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23-WP-SBC-59530401	Santa Barbara County Fire Department	Lompoc Valley Fuel Reduction Phase Two Project	Santa Barbara County *	\$2,950,142.94	<p>The Santa Barbara County Fire Department (SBCFD) proposes the Lompoc Valley Fuel Reduction Phase II Project. The overall project benefits the Lompoc Valley and Lompoc community. The planned fuel and roadside treatments are intended to protect communities, reduce ignitions, and limit size and intensity of fire occurrences in older age class fuel beds in the Lompoc Valley region. This proposed project is the second phase of a project within the Lompoc Valley. In this phase, a roughly 7 mile portion of San Miguelito Canyon Road from the south of the City of Lompoc to the edge the Vandenberg Air Force Base will be treated to an overall width of 150 feet. This treatment will serve as a fuel break; as well, firefighter access and public egress. The remaining treatments require maintenance, widening and improvement as rain from the last two years has spurred significant regrowth of vegetation. The project directly limits overall greenhouse gas emissions.</p>

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23-WP-SCU-57709101	City of Oakland	Shepherd Canyon to Grass Valley Evacuation Route	Alameda County	\$1,000,000.00	The project will address tree pruning and removal in the public right of way along evacuation routes within the City of Oakland, in an area designated as a Very High Fire Severity Zone. This project expands upon a previous CAL FIRE-funded project. These areas are defined by dense forest canopy, forested parkland, undeveloped lots, single-family homes, steep slopes, and meandering narrow roads that make egress and ingress difficult. Skyline Boulevard is one of the main evacuation routes because it is one of the few uninterrupted roads with two or more defined traffic lanes traversing the ridgeline. Trees in the project area have presented historical challenges with falling during wind events and blocking traffic and emergency access. Removal of these trees will significantly reduce the potential for blocked access and create a significant fuel break along this corridor.

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23-WP-SCU-58278773	Alameda County Fire Department	Alameda County Fire Kilcare Road Access and Egress Work project	Alameda County	\$313,536.00	The Alameda County Fire Department is submitting a proposal to create a fuel reduction access and egress project on Kilcare Road in Sunol. We request a grant of \$240,000.00 to match ACFD's \$108,159.04 (45%) and fund the ACFD's hand crew for wages and benefits to complete the 2-month project. We aim to create a shaded fuel break throughout Kilcare Road to improve access and egress for community and fire department personnel. We are hoping to use the grant funding for personnel costs for our crew. We anticipate that the 8.86-acre project will take two months to accomplish. The project is much needed in the area, has been a concern for citizens, and has been identified by the state as a problem area. We believe this project will have multiple benefits to the community and fire service by allowing for safer escape routes for the public in the event of a fire. It will also provide fire department access to areas of Kilcare for firefighting operations. This fuel disruption will also be a beneficial fire break in the canyon.

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23-WP-SCU-58620508	Berkeley Fire Department	Berkeley Hills Defensible Space Resident Assistance Program	Alameda County *	\$1,007,000.00	Berkeley Fire Department (BFD) and its WUI Division are proposing to implement the Berkeley Hills Defensible Space Resident Assistance Program (RAP) in the VHFHSZ of the Berkeley Hills over a three-year period. This program would provide assistance to residents who are low-income, prioritizing senior citizens, those with physical disabilities, and/or those who are acutely low-income to perform defensible space within Zone 0 (0 to 5 feet), Zone 1 (5 to 30 feet) and Zone 2 (30 feet to 100 feet) on their properties in compliance with State Law and following wildfire prevention best practices. Through the RAP, BFD will manage licensed contractors performing defensible space on participating properties and provide reimbursement quarterly upon receipt of contractor invoice. This grant will also cover the costs associated with a grant administrator to lead the execution of the program under the direction of BFD.

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23-WP-SCU-58925968	Contra Costa Resource Conservation District	Fire Resiliency in Contra Costa County Program	Contra Costa County *	\$299,957.36	The Fire Resiliency in Contra Costa County Program (FRCCCP) seeks to expand implementation of the Regional Priority Plan for Alameda and Contra Costa Counties (RPP) by developing programming in the 3 identified priority areas of fuel reduction, prescribed burning, and fire education. This multifaceted proposal includes the following programming: 1) Ecologically restorative hazardous fuel reduction in strategic locations in the WUI, utilizing a cost share approach. 2) Prescribed fire and cultural fire project development and implementation, utilizing a cost share approach. 3) Educational and training programming development. With grant funds, CCRCD will complete at least 150 acres of strategic fuel reduction and prescribed fire. Additionally, our educational and hands-on training programming will cover a variety of fire ecology and wildfire mitigation topics designed to equip community members with the knowledge necessary to make management decisions that benefit both natural resources and reduces wildlife risk to habitable structures.
23-WP-SDU-57390246	Elfin Forest Harmony Grove Fire Safe Council	Elfin Forest / Harmony Grove Fuels Reduction	San Diego County *	\$649,208.00	EFHGFSC leads a crucial 158-acre wildfire protection initiative in San Diego County, focusing on the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) in Elfin Forest Harmony Grove. The project aims to enhance public and first responder safety. Measures include removing fuels, expanding defensible space, and establishing fire breaks up to 300 feet, crucial in challenging topography. It benefits 3,650 residents and safeguards 6,186 structures. The approach integrates hand crews, machinery, and prescribed grazing, aiming to decrease wildfire speed, temperatures, and intensity.

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23-WP-SDU-57706088	City of Escondido	Escondido Wildfire Prevention Project	San Diego County *	\$245,939.10	The Escondido Wildfire Prevention Project will include a large planning element and a smaller public education element. For the wildfire prevention planning activity, the project will update the City of Escondido and Rincon Del Diablo Fire Protection District's Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). The CWPP is outdated and needs to be updated. Factors that have changed over the past 12 years include the expansion of development converting wildland to urban and suburban areas, changes to roadways, grass and brush growth, an expanded understanding or the effects of extreme weather conditions and the completion of some projects in the original CWPP. For the Wildfire Prevention Education, the City will increase distribution of its annual mailer covering vegetation clearance and defensible space standards. Currently, the City sends an annual mailer only to its Very High Fire Severity Zone parcels (approximately 2,400 parcels). This project would increase the audience to include all parcels in the High Fire Severity Zones (approximately 20,200 additional parcels) for five years through 2029.

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23-WP-SHU-58920074	City of Redding	Priority Hazardous Fuel Management Project	Shasta County *	\$1,546,413.20	The Priority Hazardous Fuel Management Project is a vital piece in the City's overall strategic plan to reduce and maintain hazardous fuels on City property that have significant potential for spreading a catastrophic wildfire. As part of this comprehensive approach to managing vegetation, the proposed project will be a valuable contribution toward increasing the health and safety of the Redding community as well as neighboring jurisdictional areas. The project is intended to protect habitable structures as well as critical infrastructure on or directly near the site. Critical infrastructure includes but is not limited to; electric and transportation infrastructure, water systems, fire stations, and surrounding residential subdivisions. Additionally, sites have been frequently accessed for encampments in the community. Targeting the sites will aid in reducing spread of wildfire from or into these areas. The proposed project involves reducing hazardous fuel loads in great at-risk areas, followed by annual grazing. After initial treatments, undesired re-sprouted vegetation will be treated with appropriate herbicide applications.

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23-WP-SHU-59130288	Igo Ono Community Service District	Igo Ono Community Services District Hazard Fuel Reduction Project - Phase 1	Shasta County *	\$989,343.26	The Igo Ono Community Service District is requesting funds for a vital hazardous fuels reduction project to reduce and mitigate severe impacts of wildfire to the Igo-Ono Community Services District water conveyance canal public infrastructure, public right of ways and habitable structures. The Igo Ono Community Service District Hazard Fuel Reduction Plan - Phase I is the foundational component to the on-going and multi-agency collaborative effort to establish Igo Ono, and the Shasta-Trinity-Unit, as an overall fire-adapted community. Focusing on Igo, Ono and immediate surrounding communities, the District will contract with a fuels management crew to remove over 5,000 burned standing trees, in Phase I, that continue to increase wildfire intensity and burn probability risks.

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23-WP-SHU-59385324	City of Shasta Lake	Wildland Urban Interface Hazardous Fuel Reduction Project	Shasta County *	\$965,500.00	The Shasta Lake Wildland Urban Interface Hazardous Fuel Reduction Project consists of approximately 213 acres of hazardous fuel clearing to create shaded fuel breaks and emergency access. The project area borders hundreds of acres of federal lands, dense with brush and trees. The rugged terrain skirting the City, paired with increasingly dry conditions has made it a critical threat to the approximate 10,000 residents, 4,200 homes, and 200 businesses in the City of Shasta Lake. The project will treat 213 acres of dense brush and trees, using hand clearing methods and chipping, spreading the wood parts within the project area. Chips that cannot be spread will be hauled to the City waste/disposal site as green brush. The project will reduce the risk of ignitions and spread while providing safer evacuation and emergency responder access. Upon successful completion, the project area will be added to the City vegetation management list for continued maintenance.

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23-WP-SKU-57478850	City of Weed Fire Department	City of Weed Fuel Mitigation	Siskiyou County *	\$1,581,440.00	The project area will protect habitable structures within the City of Weed and surrounding areas including Hammond Ranch, Lake Shastina and structures within the adjacent SRA. The 580 acre treatment areas will have fuel mitigated in various ways depending on location and terrain including hand thinning, pruning, piling, and burning, machine thinning, machine piling, chipping and mastication. The objective of this project is to provide immediate fuel mitigation to reduce the fuel loading and fire hazard and to ensure that this fuel mitigation has a lasting effect on the community to reduce the fire hazard for many years after the project is complete. This fuel mitigation project will focus on protecting lives, structures and our community by increasing safety for the public and first responders by reducing the fire hazards in the area. The fire hazards will be reduced by eliminating the vertical and horizontal continuity of vegetative fuels to reduce the rate of fire spread, duration and intensity of fire, fuel ignitability and ignition of tree crowns or structures.

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23-WP-SKU-58767246	Fire Safe Council of Siskiyou County	Siskiyou County Community Wildfire Protection Plan Update	Siskiyou County *	\$444,440.64	The proposed project is to update the 2019 Siskiyou County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (SCCWPP), focusing on planning and prevention solutions. Also policy needs to be reviewed and updated within the current CWPP. The Fire Safe Council of Siskiyou County (FSCSC) endeavors to accurize and update the SCCWPP by not only using current and related information from state and local plans, but also incorporate up-to-date SRA mapping, relevant data, prevention techniques, and recommendations. This updated SCCWPP will be used in the future to guide local fire safe councils, residents, commercial and private landowners, fire agencies and others in creating/maintaining their own fire plans, facilitate future fuel reduction grant funding, and aid in producing public prevention education materials for outreach programs. This project will result in an up-to-date comprehensive strategy for wildfire prevention, prevention education, fuel reduction, and more safely facilitate fighting wildfires that occur in Siskiyou County's SRA.

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23-WP-SKU-58929265	Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District	Osgood Fuel Reduction Project	Siskiyou County *	\$1,791,001.21	The Osgood Fuel Reduction Project will treat approximately 682 acres of brush and small trees immediately outside of the City of Yreka on the northwest side. The project will mechanically remove brush to create a strategic fuel break that extends an existing ridgeline fuel break on Yreka Ridge. The other project that Osgood will complement is the Craggy Project, a multi-partner/all lands effort already partially implemented for a planned treatment. While primarily serving as defensible space for the City of Yreka on a larger scale, White oaks will be retained to enhance oak woodland habitat. The wildland immediately surrounding the City of Yreka is identified in the Yreka Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) and the local CALFIRE Siskiyou Unit plan as priority areas to receive treatments. These treatments will help create defensible space for critical drinking water infrastructure as well.

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23-WP-SKU-59281750	Quartz Valley Indian Reservation (QVIR)	Quartz Valley Indian Reservation Wildfire Prevention Project	Siskiyou County *	\$711,049.78	The QVIR Wildfire Prevention Project encompasses environmental review, project planning, hazardous fuels reduction, creation of defensible space, and community education. Fuels reduction treatments through this project will utilize hand crews to cut and pile, and chip or burn fuels. By reducing fire spread, size, and severity, as well as reducing carbon emissions from large severe fires, this project benefits emergency responders and California's work to combat climate change, in addition to local communities. Treatments prescribed for this project include cutting and chipping near structures and roads, and cutting, piling and pile burning using hand crews on forested reservation lands in the Wildland Urban Interface. This grant will build upon momentum for QVIR's Fire and Fuels Program by leveraging its recently awarded CALFIRE Workforce Development grant funds to plan, implement and maintain fuels reduction around QVIR. The Tribe's workforce development coupled with this Wildfire Prevention grant will double its capacity and aid in project maintenance while also tying into other local fuels treatments.

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23-WP-SLU-58438831	San Luis Obispo County Fire Safe Council	2024 SLO County Wildfire Prevention	San Luis Obispo County *	\$3,112,344.00	This multi-organizational collaborative project will enhance wildfire prevention with 19 projects in 9 WUI communities throughout San Luis Obispo County. We will treat 1,049 acres using prescribed grazing in Cambria, Paso Robles, and San Luis Obispo; crews creating shaded fuelbreaks and roadside clearance in Atascadero, Arroyo Grande, and Lake Nacimiento; hazard fuel reduction on community owned parcels in Cambria; thinning and fire fuel reduction in Cambria pine forest; mechanical mastication followed with prescribed fire use in Creston; Countywide; 20 days of chipping and 25 days of arborist removal of hazardous trees; and 25 acres of flammable French Broom eradication to protect access/egress routes. The 19 treatments will enhance wildfire protection for more than 900 structures in SRA and 3,200 in LRA/SRA fringe by treating a total of 1,409 acres of hazardous fuels including 21 miles of roadside and w1,199 acres of hazardous fuels reduction.

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23-WP-SLU-59612657	City of San Luis Obispo	City of San Luis Obispo Hazardous Fuel Reduction Chipper Project	San Luis Obispo County *	\$159,397.12	The City of San Luis Obispo Fire Department is seeking funding to purchase equipment with the acquisition of a standard chipper and track chipper to allow for sustainable and cost-effective vegetation management by city staff well into the future. This project will enhance the capabilities of the City's hazardous fire fuel reduction activities throughout the City of San Luis Obispo which will help protect the 47,000+ residents of San Luis Obispo and over 21,000 housing units that span the City which has over 766 acres within the CAL FIRE Very High Fire Severity Zone, and over 7,000 acres of designated open space. Finally, the City has 6 census tracts with identified low-income communities under the California Climate Investments Priority Populations, all of which will benefit from this project.
23-WP-TCU-57510425	Stanislaus County Office of Education	Foothill Hazardous Fuel Reduction Project	Tuolumne County *	\$517,700.00	The Stanislaus County Office of Education proposes completing critical hazardous fuel reduction, shaded fuel break construction and maintenance, improved defensible space compliance, and vegetation clearance to a critical single ingress and single egress access roads on approximately 81 acres of the publicly-owned Foothill Horizons School property to reduce the threat of wildfire to a large, transient student population, live-in staff, facilities and emergency personnel, along with community outreach and education to promote wildfire awareness to thousands of community members and students.

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23-WP-TCU-57521903	Tuolumne Utilities District	Tuolumne Utilities District Critical Facilities Fuels Reduction Project (Phase 3)	Tuolumne County *	\$166,381.38	The Tuolumne Utilities District Critical Fuels Reduction Project (Phase 3) aims to mitigate the risk of wildfire around critical district infrastructure, nearby homes, and businesses. Building on prior phases, this project focuses on reducing hazardous fuel loading around three critical District water treatment plants and five vital District water storage tanks, serving approximately 15,000 of residents in high fire hazard areas within Tuolumne County. These mitigation efforts will reduce the intensity, severity and spread of wildfire in the communities as well as will safeguard critical community infrastructure from the threat of wildfire.
23-WP-TCU-57719714	Tuolumne Fire Safe Council	Belleview/Kewin Mill Fuels Reduction	Tuolumne County *	\$769,440.00	The Belleview/Kewin Mill Fuels Reduction project is a 148 42 acre, 2.1 mile Shaded Fuel Break. The 300 feet wide Shaded Fuel Break will treat the high wildfire risk Belleview Elementary School Campus and sections of Big Hill Road and Kewin Mill Road. The Shaded Fuel Break ties in with fuel breaks in the Big Hill area and will construct the first Shaded Fuel Break along the project's Kewin Mill Road section. Kewin Mill Road is the primary egress for the Cedar Ridge Subdivision. Belleview Elementary School is one of the most at-risk public school campuses of Tuolumne County's 11 public school districts.

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23-WP-TCU-58317088	Caalveras County Resource Conservation District	San Andreas East Fuelbreak	Calaveras County *	\$653,408.00	The San Andreas East Fuelbreak is a ~160-acre planned project located in Calaveras County directly north of San Andreas. Calaveras County Resource Conservation District (CCRCD) is administering this project and acting as lead agency for CEQA. This project was prioritized by the Calaveras Fuels Reduction Collaborative in order to protect the county seat, TCU headquarters, Calaveras Union High School, the government center consisting of various county government agencies, and the only hospital in Calaveras County, Mark Twain Medical Center. The fuelbreak is a critical stopping point preventing the active wildfire from spreading into and burning down the town of San Andreas. A built and defensible fuelbreak in this location will provide protection from another wildfire burning in the almost decade old Butte Fire burn scar, full of dense brush ready to burn again.

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23-WP-TCU-58435797	Tuolumne County Resource Conservation District	PML Fuels Reduction Phase II	Tuolumne County *	\$566,813.65	The Pine Mountain Lake (PML) Fuels Reduction Project Phase 2 is a 150-acre hazardous fuels reduction project which will connect multiple fuel breaks and protect the eastern flank of Pine Mountain Lake and the community of Groveland, CA. A key outcome of this project is that it will connect fuel breaks recently completed by the US Forest Service, Tuolumne Fire Safe Council, and Pine Mountain Lake Homeowners Association (PMLA). This project will decrease the wildfire threat to the 1,363 households within Pine Mountain Lake, and the approximately 858 households within the Groveland Community Service District. The project's intent is to continue to develop a defensible fuel break to the east of Pine Mountain Lake and Groveland while restoring and maintaining the Sierra mixed conifer landscape in this area.
23-WP-TCU-58919648	Calaveras Foothills Fire Safe Council	Historic Murphys Last Chance Fuel Break	Calaveras County *	\$270,480.00	The Murphys Area Fuels Reduction Project is a 2-mile-long roadside fuel break East of Angels Camp and West of Murphys. This project is a mastication project which will utilize treatments that eliminate the vertical and horizontal continuity of vegetative fuels for the purpose of reducing the rate of fire spread and avoiding crown fires. The fuels are heavy in several drainage's along Murphys Grade Rd. The fuels consist of brush, grass oak woodland and timber over story. This transition area contributes to the very high fire danger area. The history of large damaging fires in the area, assets at risk, geographic alignment of the community of Murphys, and landowner support makes this an important project to fund.

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23-WP-TCU-59320939	Tuolumne Fire Safe Council	Dragoon Fuels Reduction	Tuolumne County *	\$510,496.00	The Dragoon Fuels Reduction is 90 acre project in the interface of the Local Responsibility Area (City of Sonora) and the State Responsibility Area. The project has three treatment components- maintenance/mastication of the existing fire break/dozer line that was constructed to protect Sonora during the 2021 Washington Fire; a 17 acre, approximately 200 feet wide Shaded Fuel Break along Dragoon Circle/Ponderosa Lane/Cottage Court to protect those homes and the Sonora Knolls Subdivision; and fuels reduction, mainly mastication, along the ridge from the edge of the dozer line to Race Track Road. Mastication treatment is 73 acres and hand treatment 17 acres. The Dragoon Fuels Reduction will provide protection to a minimum of 6,000 habitable structures.

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23-WP-TGU-57269341	Glenn County Resource Conservation District	Needham HFRP - Phase II	Glenn County *	\$2,203,930.40	The Needham HFRP - Phase II will scale up wildfire prevention activities through a 1,022-acre hazardous fuels reduction project located in western Glenn County. The hazardous fuels are primarily chamise brush within oak woodlands and treatment includes mechanical thinning / mastication and herbicide application while ensuring environmental compliance. Implementing this Project will achieve priorities through vegetation clearance on ridge tops and other natural boundaries to reduce wildfire intensity and rate of spread, and will tie in several Hazardous Fuel Reduction projects, creating a continuous fuel break 13-miles in length. Starting from the Stony Gorge Reservoir (HFRP-CALFIRE 5GG20127) to 3-miles north of the Glenn/Colusa County Line (HFRP-CALFIRE 5GA22216). Additionally, this Project will help reduce Greenhouse Gas emissions in the long term through proactive wildfire prevention activities vs. suppression activities.
23-WP-TGU-57442202	Resource Conservation District of Tehama County	TinderSmart Tehama: Phase III	Tehama County *	\$2,498,478.33	TinderSmart Tehama: Phase III (Project) will integrate several proactive hazardous fuel reduction strategies to treat 720 acres across urban, woodland, shrubland, and forested landscapes in several communities in Moderate, High, and Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones throughout Tehama County. The Project will allow the RCDTC and its partners to provide defensible space assistance around homes and to conduct vegetative fuels reduction in drainages and sloughs, which will help reduce wildfire intensity and rate of spread to protect people, property, infrastructure, and habitat within wildfire threatened communities in Tehama County.

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23-WP-TUU-58954357	Jeff McLaughlin/Tulare County Fire Department	Whitaker Forest Roadside Fuels Project	Tulare County	\$183,210.72	The Whitaker Forest Roadside Fuel Reduction Project is located adjacent to the community of Badger. This project will focus on the modification of vegetation along the roadway by reducing the available fuel, securing the vital ingress and egress route for residents and visitors of the Hartland Christina Camp evacuating from fast moving wildland fires, and reducing the spread of fire from the wildland into the wildland-urban interface. This project will remove fuel approximately 40 feet on either side of the roadway, creating an approximately 110 feet wide area and securing a secondary evacuation route. The project will also have a minimum of two public chipper days that should have a positive effect on the community's defensible space. The fuel along Whitaker Forest Road consists of medium brush, and invasive trees ranging from 3-18 DBH.

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23-WP-TUU-59110611	Three Rivers Fire Safe Council	Three Rivers Fire Safe Council, Creating a Wildfire Resistant and Resilient Community Phase 1	Tulare County *	\$454,542.00	<p>The Three Rivers Fire Safe Council fuels reduction project is set up in 4 stages:</p> <p>Stage 1: CEQA Environmental Compliance and Landowner Agreement submissions</p> <p>Stage 2 - Community perimeter goat grazing</p> <p>Stage 3 - Hand crews</p> <p>Stage 4 - Sustaining fuel break</p> <p>In conjunction with the above-listed techniques, masticators will be employed on approximately where needed in the proposed project area to grind small trees, shrubs, and brush into mulch. Herbicides will be utilized when necessary to help eradicate invasive non-native plants & shrubs. Public Education and Outreach will take place throughout the project timeline, with a kick-off event before the project starts and a wrap up event at project completion.</p>

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23-WP-VNC-57826151	Ventra County Fire Protection District	Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Wildfire Prevention and Fire Hazard Reduction Program	Ventura County	\$402,000.00	<p>The Ventura County Fire Department proposes the development of an Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS), drone, program as a supplement and enhancement to our renowned Fire Hazard Reduction Program (FHRP). The primary objective of our project is to leverage UAS technology to survey WUI landscapes with advanced photo and video equipment to produce high-quality, fine-scale maps of strategic and critical hazard areas within the VCFD's jurisdictional area.</p> <p>The development of a UAS program will yield six adaptations: Fine-scale mapping of topography within and adjacent to lands subject to FHRP compliance, establishment and/or improvement of existing evacuation plans for properties and communities within CAL FIRE's established Fire Hazard Severity Zones, Improvement of the Ventura County Fire Department's Wildfire Action Plan, Refinement of hazard mitigation plans, Aid in the development of VCFD Wildland tactical wildfire pre-plan documents , and Reduction of greenhouse gasses.</p>
23-WP-VNC-58365368	Ventura County Resource Conservation District	Ventura County Wildfire Collaborative: Phase 2	Ventura County *	\$2,990,577.29	<p>The purpose of the Ventura County Wildfire Collaborative is to increase Ventura County's WUI communitie' ability to prepare for, withstand, respond to, and recover from wildfire by providing critical education, tools, and services. The proposed project seeks to conduct 1233 acres of fuels reduction. A small portion of the proposed funding will also allow the Collaborative to provide an educational accompaniment to inform residents of the purpose and importance of all types of fuels reduction and to reach indigenous migrant and farmworker communities.</p>

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23-WP-VNC-58472396	Concerned Resource & Environmental Workers	The Ojai Valley Community Wildfire Prevention Program	Ventura County *	\$1,054,877.18	The proposed project spans 50,000 acres in the Ojai Valley and surrounding areas of Ventura County, addressing the heightened risk of wildfires. The project's core focus involves hazardous fuel removal of an estimated 200 acres through chipping and brush clearance, aligning with required defensible space parameters. Fuels extracted from homeowner sites will be repurposed within the community, contributing to restoration projects and ranches. The significance of this initiative is underscored by the presence of inadequate evacuation routes and the critical need for resident education in vegetation management and defensible space practices. The multifaceted approach of this project aims to enhance both wildfire resilience and community sustainability.
				\$90,035,847.86	

Information about this report:

- List contains awarded applications for FY 2023-24 CCI Wildfire Prevention Grants.
- The county locations identified in the project may also span multiple counties, CAL FIRE Units and/or Regions.
- Application packages are subject to change due to final agency contract revisions and amendments.

- Wildfire Prevention Grants funded from the CCI will be a 7-year grant cycle:
 - The grant work is to be completed by March 15, 2030 (end of the grant cycle).
 - The grantee is required to submit the final invoices by April 30, 2030.
 - All the funds will be disencumbered by June 30, 2030.

- The objectives of the Wildfire Prevention Grants Program are to:
 - Reduce wildfire hazards around communities and infrastructure.
 - Improved health and resilience of treated areas for increased carbon sequestration.
 - Support community wildfire planning and facilitate plan implementation.
 - Improve public awareness and reduce human ignitions.

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- Counties marked with an (*) means that the project is located in a Low Income and /or Disadvantaged Community as defined by SB 535 & AB 1550.