June 17, 2025



# California Wildfire Mitigation Program Authority

Home Hardening Initiative

**CWMPA Board of Directors Public Meeting** 

# CWMPA Board of Directors Public Meeting

Call To Order and Roll Call

# Welcome Message

# Consent Agenda Items

• Approval of March 19, 2025, Meeting Minutes





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Discussion and Action Items

# CWMP Grant Expenditures – April 30, 2025

El Dorado County Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience	El Dorado	\$ 187,443
North Coast Oportunities	Lake	\$ 1,763,512
San Diego County Fire Protection District	San Diego	\$ 578,739
Shasta County Fire Safe Council	Shasta	\$ 714,182
Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District	Siskiyou	\$ 669,378
Tuolumne County Office of Emergency Services	Tuolumne	\$ 100,288
CWMP TOTAL		\$ 4,013,542
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CWMP Pilot Program Update: CAL FIRE

Continuing to develop the SB-190 WUI Fire Safety Building Standards Compliance Training

Developing the Australian Delegation Home Hardening PowerPoint Presentation

Continuing to assist and support the California Wildfire Mitigation Program Scope of Works

Preparing the IBHS Wildfire Prepared Home at Camp Smokey California State Fair



### CWMP Pilot Program Update: San Diego County Fire Protection District in San Diego County

#### FEMA EHP Update -

- Submitted four Phase II reports for "Issue Properties", Pending FEMA Review
- Five additional Phase II reports submitted this month
- Pending Record of Environmental Consideration (REC) for the additional "No-Issue" properties in the expanded area

#### Site-Work Updates –

- Three Homes Complete
- Four homes in active construction, one started May 27, three additional started June 9
- Two quotes in review
- Four Scopes of Work in development
- Anticipating having 12 to 15 homes complete by August

#### Staffing -

- 2 additional assessors have been hired and are in training
- Going out for solicitation for more contractors this month



CWMP Pilot Program Update: Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District in Siskiyou County

# Site Work Updates – Batch One – 8 Homes

• All site work is complete

# Site Work Updates – Batch Two – 7 Homes

• All site work is complete

## Site Work Updates – Batch Three – 11 Homes

• Site work has started

Site Work Updates – Batch Four

• Preparing batch four for quotes



#### CWMP Pilot Program Update: Shasta County Fire Safe Council in Shasta County

#### Site Work

- Four homes have been completed to date.
- Five homes are in progress.
- 5 No-Issue SOW in progress
- 6 Issue properties SOW being updated and prepared for SME Review

#### Staff

• WSRCD hired an employee to focus on and assist construction manager with SOW

#### Project Area

- CWMP, SPU and CAL FIRE attended a Project area visit on April 29, 2025
- CWMP and CAL FIRE attended the SCFSC Board meeting on May 22, 2025



#### CWMP Pilot Program Update: North Coast Opportunities in Lake County

#### Site Work

- 24 Homes have been completed
- 4 homes in active construction
- 6 SOW in progress
- 5 homes to start the bid process this week

## Staff

- Hired a new Full-time Assessor
- Hired a Construction Manager
- Hired an Administrative Employee

#### Project Area

- Attended a site visit March 20, 2025, organized by NCO.
  - Representatives from Sonoma and Napa counties toured several completed homes and were able to ask questions about the program



#### CWMP Pilot Program Update: Tuolumne County Office of Emergency Services

# EHP Update

• There are no "no-issue" properties in the project area at this time.

# Staff

• Program manager contract pending approval from board of supervisors by end of June.

# Project Area

• Two homes in the project area were burned in the Evergreen 2 Fire on June 8, 2025.



### CWMP Pilot Program Update: El Dorado County Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience

#### EHP Update

• 74 No Issue Properties

#### Program Documents

• Continuing to work on drafts of the Master Agreement, Right of Entry and Tri-Party Agreement

#### Staff

- Actively working with 5 qualified construction management firms for cost estimates to make a final decision on one firm.
- CWMP Staff are coordinating a home assessor training session with CAL FIRE.

#### Community Outreach

- Scheduling a stakeholder meeting on June 26, 2025, to identify long term, landscape wide wildfire resilience across the entire Weber Creek project area. CWMP and CAL FIRE will be in attendance.
- Attended El Dorado County Fair with other fire agencies to share info regarding Dspace, Home Hardening and the Weber Creek Project



- CWMP Monthly Status Report
- Support to Local and State Wildfire Home Hardening Efforts
  - Continue assistance to wildfire home hardening projects:
    - Mendocino County Fire Safe Council
    - Ventura Regional Fire Safe Council
- Program Update Presentation to Lake County Board of Supervisors
- General Liability Insurance Acquisition
- Updated State Controller's Office Annual Financial Transactions Report
- CWMP Website California Wildfire Mitigation Program
- LA County Incidents: Historic Structures Hardening Guidance
- LA County Incidents: Recovery Support Strategy or Rebuild Support Strategy Rebuild & Long-Term Recovery Task Force - County/State/Fed



#### • AB 38

This bill, on or after January 1, 2021, would require the seller of any real property located in a high or very high fire hazard severity zone to provide a prescribed disclosure notice to the buyer, if the home was constructed before January 1, 2020, of information relating to fire hardening improvements on the property and a list of specified features that may make the home vulnerable to wildfire and flying embers and which features, if any, that exist on the home of which the seller is aware. The bill, on or after July 1, 2025, would require the disclosure notice to also include the State Fire Marshal's list of low-cost retrofits. The bill would also require a seller who has obtained a specified final inspection report to provide to the buyer a copy of that report or information on where a copy may be obtained.

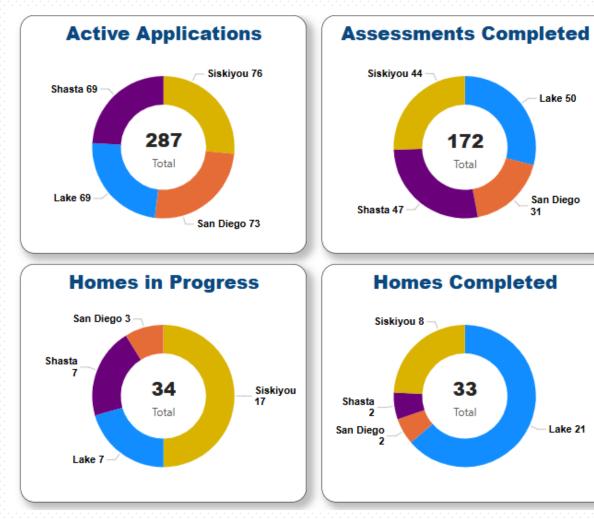


• FEMA Award: 03/17/2023, Revised Award: 08/15/2023





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### State Legislation Update:

• AB-441 Wildfire prevention: Office of Wildfire Technology Research and Development: wildfire mitigation program.

Date	Chamber	Action
2025-06-05	Senate	In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.
2025-06-04	Assembly	Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate. (Ayes 78. Noes 0.)



# CWMP Pilot Program Next Steps

- CWMP Funding Budget Act 2022 (AB-179) Funding \$13 Million
  - ~\$6 Million Committed to Siskiyou County for HMGP Grant ~\$24 million
  - ~\$7 Million Committed to Riverside County for HMGP Grant ~\$26 million
  - Both Projects submitted to FEMA on 11/21/2024 utilizing funding opportunity DR-4699-CA (California Severe Winter Storms, Straight-line Winds, Flooding, Landslides, and Mudslides) FEMA Review will take ~7-12 months.
  - <u>Under CWMPA Review</u>

**SB-946**, Personal Income Tax Law: Corporation Tax Law: exclusions: wildfire mitigation payments.(2023-2024)

#### Proposition 4

 Grants under the Home Hardening Program to retrofit, harden, or create defensible space for homes at high risk of wildfire in order to protect California communities



## CWMP Pilot Program Next Steps

#### • SECTION 1. Section 91510 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

 91510. (a) Of the funds made available by Section 91500, \$135,000,000 shall be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the Office of Emergency Services for a wildfire mitigation grant program. The Office of Emergency Services shall coordinate with the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection in administering these moneys. The grant program shall assist local and state agencies to leverage additional funds, including matching grants from federal agencies. Funds may be used to provide loans, rebates, direct assistance, and matching funds for projects that prevent wildfires, increase resilience, maintain existing wildfire risk reduction projects, reduce the risk of wildfires to communities, or increase home or community hardening. Projects shall benefit disadvantaged communities, severely disadvantaged communities, or vulnerable populations.



# CWMPA Board of Directors Public Meeting

Discussion Regarding Updates and Revisions to CWMP Business Plan

#### Discussion and Action regarding CWMP Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement

• Adopted Resolution 2025-1 Recommending CWMP Member Agencies amend CWMP Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement



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### Meeting Schedule

- Next meeting is July 15, 2025
- 715 P Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room 2-221, Sacramento, CA 95814

#### Board Member Comments

Public Comment

**Closed Session** 

Open Report From Closed Session

Adjournment





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