



RURAL COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES OF CALIFORNIA



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RCRC COUNTIES REPRESENT:



14.7% of the CA
population



61% of CA's land
mass

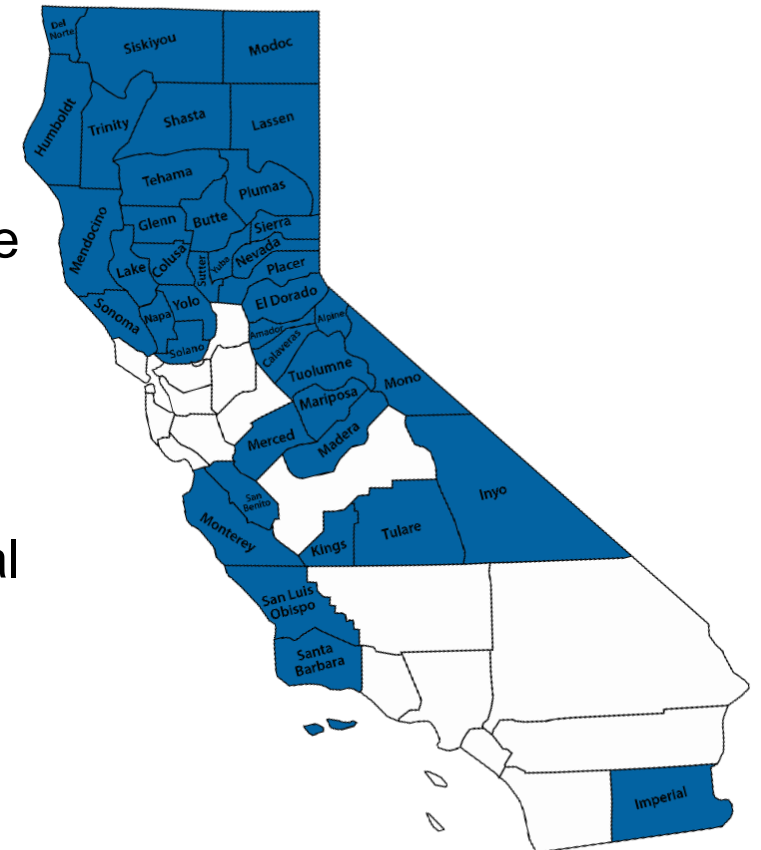


Over 80% of U.S.
Forest Service Land
in CA

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RCRC is a 40-county member services organization that represents the collective unique interests of its membership by:

- Providing legislative and regulatory representation at the state and federal levels
- Providing services to its members to enhance and protect the quality of life in rural California counties



RCRC ORGANIZATION



Divisions

- Government Affairs
- Economic Development
- Business Development
- Administration and Finance

Affiliate Entities



Rural Counties[✓]
Environmental Services
Joint Powers Authority
ESJPA



Rural
Advancement
Institute



golden state
connect
authority

THE DILEMMA WITH CALIFORNIA'S FORESTS



Overgrown forests increasing risk of catastrophic wildfires



Forest treatment targets established by State and Federal government



Limited outlets for the removed biomass



GOLDEN STATE
NATURAL RESOURCES

GSNR established to create a sustainable and economically viable use from this woody biomass

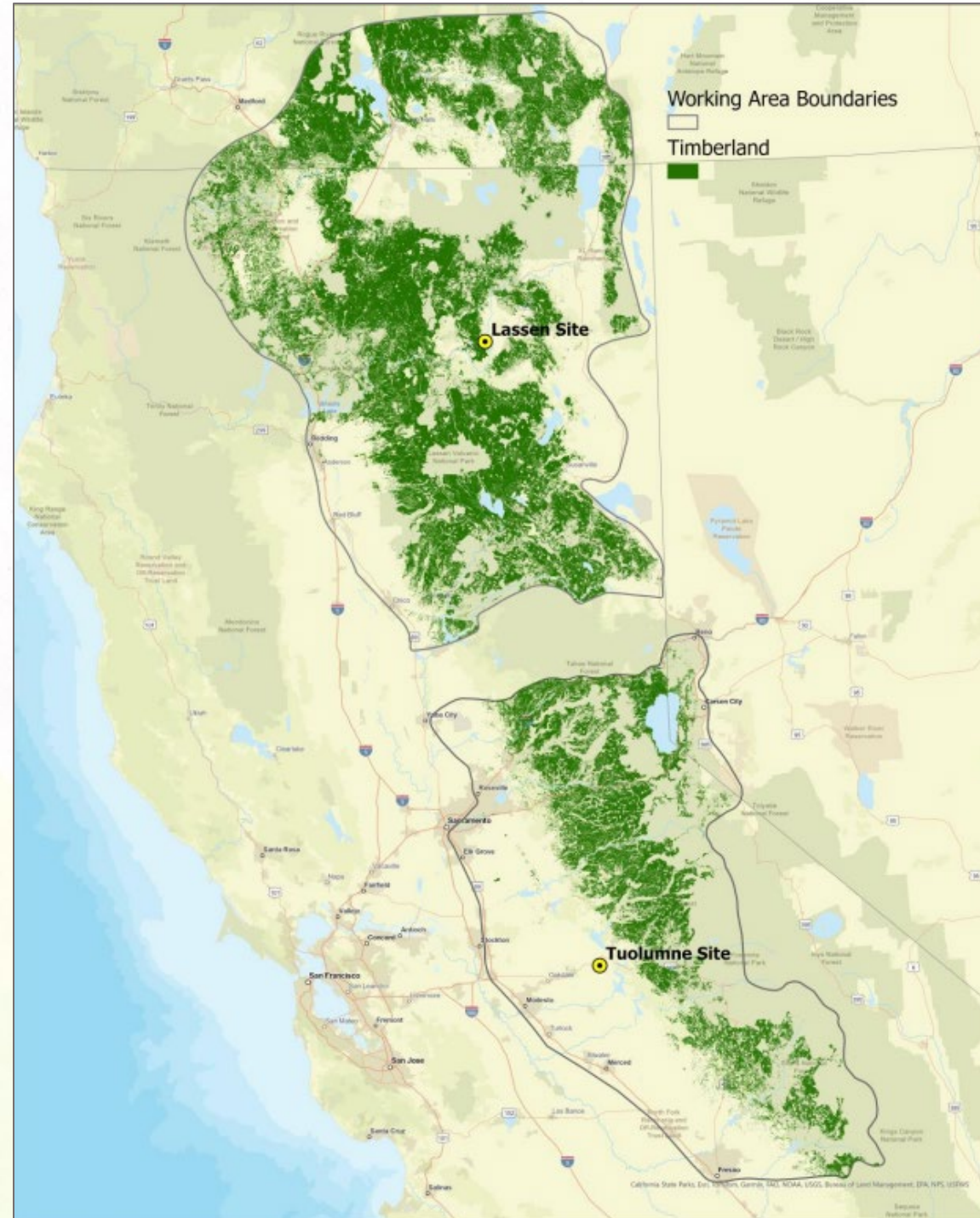
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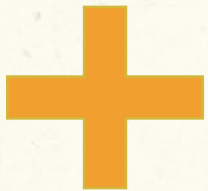
PROJECT SITES AND RAIL ACCESS



WORKING AREAS TO BE TREATED BY THE FOREST RESILIENCY PROJECT



CEQA APPROVAL PROCESS



LEAD AGENCY

- Initiates CEQA EIR Development
- Determines Final EIR Certification
- Determines Project Approval



RESPONSIBLE AGENCY

- Provides input into EIR development
- Determines local/resource permit approval

PROJECT PROPONENT

- Implements proposed project upon certification and permit approvals

CEQA TIMELINE



- **Recirculation of Revised DEIR (RDEIR)** – Projected for early 2026
 - Public Comment and Review Period
 - Includes GHG and AQ Lifecycle Analyses
 - Innovation Campus
- **Final EIR Publication** – Projected for 2026
- **Review & Decision by Golden State Finance Authority Board** – Projected for 2026

Rural Counties Environmental Services Joint Powers Authority (ESJPA)

- 27 rural county solid waste jurisdictions
- Technical support, advocacy, grant management.
- Includes work on post-fire recovery, green waste management.
- CalRecycle Rural Zero Waste Plan
 - Spikes in organic waste during PSPS/EPSS events and other electrical blackouts.
 - Potential uptick in green waste disposal when Zone 0 kicks in.



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ESJPA



ReCoverCA Homebuyer Assistance Program

A Path to Homeownership
for Low- to Moderate-
Income Families Affected
by Recent Disasters



Current Funding: 2024/24 Flood Recovery Funds

- For Low-to-Moderate Income Households who were renting in 2023/24 flood areas of CA
- Assistance up to \$300,000 per household
- To help with home purchase in safer areas.



This document contains general program information, is not an offer for extension of credit nor a commitment to lend and is subject to change without notice. Complete program policies, eligibility requirements, loan applications, interest rates and annual percentage rates (APRs) are available through GSFA ReCoverCA HBA Lenders.

The ReCoverCA Homebuyer Assistance (DR-HBA) Program is provided by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) in collaboration with Golden State Finance Authority (GSFA) as Program Manager. Funding for the Program is made possible through a Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) grant from HUD. GSFA is a duly constituted public entity and agency.

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Applicant Eligibility

- » Primary residence was in Qualifying Disaster Area
- » Low-to-Moderate Income Households
 - ≤80% AMI (Based on Household Size)
- » First-time Homebuyer Requirement
 - No ownership in past 3 years
 - Exception for ownership during disaster but no longer own property
- » 2023 Qualifying Disaster Areas:
 - Hoopa Valley Tribe (ZIP code 95546) in Humboldt County
 - Monterey County
 - San Benito County
 - Santa Cruz County
 - Tulare County
 - Tuolumne County
- » 2024 Qualifying Disaster Area:
 - San Diego County

**Previous program years funded applicants from FEMA-declared wildfire disaster areas, including the Dixie Fire, North Complex Fire, LNU Lightning Complex Fire, Zogg Fire and others.

Eligible Properties

» Owner Occupied Residences Only

- Single-family residences
 - ADUs
- Agency approved condos
- Townhomes and PUDs
- Manufactured homes

» Properties NOT Allowed

- NO 2-4 unit
- NO co-ops
- NO investment properties, recreation or second homes

» Must be Located Outside:

1. FEMA-designated Special Flood Hazard Areas
2. High or Very High Fire Hazard Zones

» Homeowner Insurance Policy

- » California Fair Plan policies not acceptable





QUESTIONS?

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