

Appendix B - Full Application Checklist

SNC Reference#: 835

Project Name: Magalia Forest Health Management Plan

Applicant: Butte County Fire Safe Council

Please mark each box if item is included in the application. Please consult with SNC staff prior to submission if you have any questions about the applicability to your project of any items on the checklist. All applications must include a CD including an electronic file of each checklist item, if applicable. The naming convention for each electronic file is listed after each item on the checklist. (Electronic File Name = EFN: "naming convention". file extension choices)

Submission requirements for all Category One and Category Two Grant Applications

1. Completed Application Checklist (EFN: Checklist.doc,.docx,.or .pdf)
2. Table of Contents (EFN: TOC.doc,.docx, or .pdf)
3. Full Application Project Information Form (EFN: Siform.doc, .docx, or .pdf)
- N/A 4. CCC/Local Conservation Corps Document (EFN: CCC.pdf)
5. Authorization to Apply or Resolution (EFN: authorization.doc, .docx, or .pdf)
6. Narrative Descriptions (EFN: Narrative.doc or .docx)
 - a. Detailed Project Description (5,000 character maximum for section 5a only)
 - Project Description including Goals/Results, Scope of Work, Location, Purpose, etc.
 - b. Workplan and Schedule
 - c. Restrictions, Technical/Environmental Documents and Agreements
 - Restrictions / Agreements (EFN: RestAgree.pdf)
 - N/A Regulatory Requirements / Permits (EFN: RegPermit.pdf)
 - d. Organizational Capacity
 - e. Cooperation and Community Support
 - Letters of Support (EFN: LOS.pdf)
 - f. Tribal Consultation Narrative (EFN: tribal.doc, docx)
 - g. Long Term Management and Sustainability
 - N/A Long-Term Management Plan (EFN: LTMP.pdf)
 - h. Performance Measures
7. Budget documents
 - a. Detailed Budget Form (EFN: Budget.xls, .xlsx)
8. Supplementary Documents
 - a. Environmental Documentation
 - California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) documentation (EFN: CEQA.pdf)
 - N/A National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documentation (EFN: NEPA.pdf)
 - b. Maps and Photos
 - Project Location Map (EFN: LocMap.pdf)
 - Parcel Map showing County Assessor's Parcel Number(s) (EFN: ParcelMap.pdf)

- Topographic Map (EFN: *Topo.pdf*)
- Photos of the Project Site (10 maximum) (EFN: *Photo.jpg, .gif*)
- c. Additional submission requirements for Fee Title Acquisition applications only
 - N/A Acquisition Schedule (EFN: *acqSched.doc, .docx or .pdf*)
 - N/A Willing Seller Letter (EFN: *WillSell.pdf*)
 - N/A Real Estate Appraisal (EFN: *Appraisal.pdf*)
- d. Additional submission requirements for Site Improvement / Restoration Project applications only
 - Land Tenure Documents (EFN: *Tenure.pdf*)
 - Site Plan (EFN: *SitePlan.pdf*)
 - Leases or Agreements (EFN: *LeaseAgmnt.pdf*)

I certify that the information contained in the Application, including required attachments, is accurate, and that I have been authorized to apply for this grant.


 Signed (Authorized Representative)

8-28-15
 Date

Calli Jane DeAnda Executive Director
 Name and Title (print or type)

Magalia Forest Health Management Plan

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PROPOSITION 1 – Watershed Improvement Program Project Information Form	
SNC REFERENCE #	
PROJECT NAME	
APPLICANT NAME (<i>Legal name, address, and zip code</i>)	
AMOUNT OF GRANT REQUEST	
TOTAL PROJECT COST	
PROJECT LOCATION (<i>County with approx. lat/long, center of project area</i>)	
SENATE DISTRICT NUMBER	ASSEMBLY DISTRICT NUMBER
PERSON WITH MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY FOR GRANT CONTRACT	
<i>Name and title</i> <i>Phone</i> <i>Email Address</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mr.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ms.	
TRIBAL CONSULTATION CONTACT(S) INFORMATION	
<i>Name:</i> <i>Phone Number:</i>	
<i>Email address:</i>	
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR OR PLANNING DIRECTOR CONTACT INFORMATION	
<i>Name:</i> <i>Phone Number:</i>	
<i>Email address:</i>	
NEAREST PUBLIC WATER AGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION	
<i>Name:</i> <i>Phone Number:</i>	
<i>Email address:</i>	

Please identify the appropriate project category below and provide the associated details (*Choose One*)

Category One Site Improvement

Category Two Pre-Project Activities

Category One Acquisition

Site Improvement/ Acquisition Project Area

Total Acres:

SNC Portion (if different):

Acquisition Projects Only For Acquisitions Only

Appraisal Included

Select one primary Pre-Project deliverable

Permit

CEQA/NEPA Compliance

Appraisal

Condition Assessment

Biological Survey

Environmental Site Assessment

Plan

5. Documents Required of Nonprofit Applicants

We received confirmation from Lynn Campbell that the Butte County Fire Safe Council Articles of Incorporation, IRS letter and Bylaws are on file with the Sierra Nevada Conservancy.

Board of Directors Resolution No.2

In the matter of: A RESOLUTION
APPROVING THE APPLICATION
FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE
PROPOSITION 1, WATER QUALITY,
SUPPLY, AND INFRESTRUCTION
IMPROVEMENT BOND ACT OF 2014

Resolution No: 2

Date: 8-5-15

The following RESOLUTION was duly passed by the Board of Directors of the Butte County Fire Safe Council at a regular meeting held August, 5, 2015 by the following vote:

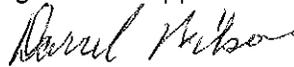
Ayes: 13

Noes: 0

Abstentions:1

Absent: 3

Signed and approved by:



Darrel Wilson

Chair, Board of Directors

WHEREAS, the Legislature and Governor of the State of California have provided Funds for the program shown above; and

WHEREAS, the Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of a portion of these funds through a local assistance grants program, establishing necessary procedures; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the Sierra Nevada Conservancy require a resolution certifying the approval of application(s) by the Applicant's governing board before submission of said application(s) to the SNC; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant, if selected, will enter into an agreement with the SNC to carry out the project; and

WHEREAS, the Butte County Fire Safe Council has identified the Magalia Forest Health Management Plan as valuable toward meeting its mission and goals

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Butte County Fire Safe Council that this Board:

- . Approves the submittal of an application for the Completion of the Magalia Forest Health Management Plan; and
- . Certifies that Applicant understands the assurances and certification requirements in the application; and
- . Certifies that Applicant or title holder will have sufficient funds to operate and maintain the resource(s) consistent with the long-term benefits described in support of the application; or will secure the resources to do so; and
- . Certifies that Applicant will comply with all legal requirements as determined during the application process; and
- . Appoints Darrel Wilson or Calli-Jane DeAnda, or designee, as agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including but not limited to: applications, agreements, payment requests, and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned project(s).

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Butte County Fire Safe Council on the 5th day of August, 2015.

Magalia Forest Health Management Plan

a. Detailed Project Description

Project Description

Location - The project area is located in the community of Magalia in Butte County, home to approximately 11,000 residents. The community is situated in a mixed conifer forest within Little Butte and Butte Creek watersheds. The project will take place on 800 acres of forest lands: Paradise Pines Property Owners Association (540 acres), Paradise Irrigation District (180 acres), and Paradise Unified School District (80 acres). Wildfires in the adjoining communities have burned 93,000 acres in the last fifteen years. The potential for a large, fuel driven fire to occur in Magalia is very real.

Purpose – The following purposes of the project will further the Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) mission, program areas and align with the existing state planning priorities identified in Proposition 1, the Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) Strategic Plan (SP), the SNC Watershed Improvement Program (WIP), the California Water Action Plan, Human Right to Water Policy (HRTW) and California Natural Resources Agency (NRA) Safeguarding California Policy.

1. Protect water quality and improve water quantity – Aligns with **Proposition 1** purpose “Protect and restore rural and urban watershed health to improve watershed storage capacity, forest health, protection of life and property, and greenhouse gas reduction”. The project is within a collection area for the drinking water supply for the Town of Paradise and benefits quality ground and surface water. This purpose aligns with **SNC’s SP Area** “Protecting and improving water and air quality” and **SNC WIP** “Improve quantity and quality of water throughout the year”. This supports **HRTW policy**, “every human being has the right to safe, clean, affordable, and accessible water adequate for human consumption, cooking, and sanitary purposes”. Alignment is found in the **NRA Safeguarding California Plan** which emphasizes the importance of ground water recharge and storage from watersheds and in the **California Water Action Plan’s** goal to “provide safe water for all communities”.

2.Prevent catastrophic wildfire – Aligns with **Proposition 1** purpose “Implement fuel treatment projects to reduce wildfire risk, protect watershed tributary to water storage facilities and promote watershed health”. The project is located within a Cal Fire “Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone”. The presence of homes in the watershed increases the ignition potential and threat to Magalia reservoir, Paradise Lake, Butte Creek and the Feather River. Alignment is found with **SNC’s SP Area** of “Reducing the risk of natural disasters, such as wildfire” and **SNC WIP** to “Reduce risk of large, damaging wildfires”. Alignment is found in the **NRA Safeguarding California Plan** which identifies “continue and enhance coordinated efforts to reduce wildfire risks and promote fire Safe communities”.

3.Restore forest ecosystems from overstocked conditions with forest thinning – Aligns with **Proposition 1** purpose “implement watershed adaptation projects in order to reduce the impacts of climate changes on California’s communities and ecosystems”. Alignment is found with **SNC’s SP Area** of “Protecting, conserving and restoring the Region’s physical, cultural, archeological, historical, and living resources” and **SNC WIP**

to “Restore Sierra forests and watersheds to a healthier state”. Alignment is found with the **California Water Action** Plan’s goal to “protect and restore important ecosystems”.

Scope of Work - Funding from the SNC will be used for; the Registered Professional Forester (RPF) to develop the Forest Management Plan (FMP) and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Mitigated Negative Declaration; for archaeological services needed; and for associated filing fees of CEQA. The work funded by SNC is part of the larger planning and completed fuels projects in the community by US Forest Service (USFS), Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and Butte County Fire Safe Council BCFSC (see map of completed projects).

Goals: **1)** Conduct a collaborative landscape level inventory and assessment of forest health on 800 acres of conifer forest lands with a RPF. **2)** Identify forest health improvement treatment areas and methods including habitat enhancement and water quality improvements **3)** Complete a Mitigated Negative Declaration CEQA. **4)** Prepare to apply for future SNC grant funds to implement the project.

Results: **1)** Improved Forest Health Management - Engagement of the project landowners in the FMP will result in improved knowledge to manage the forest. **2)** Strong Partnerships - Partnerships between the BCFSC, the three landowners, local, state and federal partners supporting the project will build a foundation for future projects. **3)** Future Projects - Application for future grant funds to the SNC to implement the FMP.

Deliverables: **1)** One landscape level FMP covering approximately 800 acres of conifer forest lands. **2)** One Mitigated Negative Declaration CEQA for the treatment areas and prescriptions identified in the FMP.

b. **Workplan and Schedule**

March 2016-January 2017

- Contract with Registered Professional Forester and archaeologist to complete Forest Management Plan and CEQA Mitigated Negative Declaration.
- Project landowners approve the Forest Management Plan: Paradise Pines Property Owners Association (PPOA), Paradise Irrigation District (PID), and Paradise Unified School District (PUSD).
- Partner with CEQA lead agency to complete CEQA process (either Butte County or Butte County Resource Conservation District).
- Apply for SNC funding to implement projects identified in the Forest Management Plan.

January 2017-2027 - Maintenance of Forest Management Plan by BCFSC and partner landowners PPOA, PID, PUSD.

Objective	Milestone	Responsible Party	Timeline
Contracting for Registered Professional Forester (RPF) and Archaeologist	Board Approval and Contracts Signed	BCFSC	March 2016
Archaeological Records Search, Surveys and Native American Notification	Archaeological Report Completed	BCFSC	April –May 2016
RPF Develops Forest Management Plan and Completes CEQA documents and submits them to lead agency (either Butte County or Butte County RCD)	Forest Management Plan and CEQA Mitigated Negative Deceleration (MND) Drafted	BCFSC	April -May 2016
Management Plan Approved by partner landowners and BCFSC	Deliverable 1. Management Plan Complete	BCFSC, Project Partners, PID, PUSD, PPOA	June – August 2016
Lead agency holds public hearing and submits CEQA MND to state Clearing House	Deliverable 2. Completed CEQA Document	BCFSC, Project Partners, PID, PUSD, PPOA	May2016
Apply for Proposition 1 funds for project implementation	Submit an application for project implementation	BCFSC	September 2016
Administrative Tasks	Contractor Invoices paid, grant funds requested and document expenditures	BCFSC	March – December 2016
Management,	Project	BCFSC	March – December

Monitoring and Tracking Performance Measures	oversight, data gathered and entered into report format		2016
Quarterly Reports Final Report	Reports submitted to SNC	BCFSC	September 2016 January 2017

c. Restrictions, Technical/Environmental Documents and Agreements
Agreements

Memorandums of Understandings (MOU) establishing authorization to conduct the project on the participating land owner’s property are being submitted with the “Alternative Process”. The MOU’s are included in the application. The MOU’s have been reviewed by the project partners and will be signed at their upcoming Board meetings on the following dates:

- Paradise Pines Property Owners Association – September 8th 2015
- Paradise Unified School District – September 18th, 2015
- Paradise Irrigation District – September 16th, 2015
- Butte County Fire Safe Council – September 2nd, 2015

CEQA

Within the project area prior fuels reduction projects have been completed in the past 10 years which have had CEQA compliance. These have been smaller scale projects in the size of 5- 30 acres with similar treatments of thinning overstocked forest stands. Each project has had to complete CEQA compliance separately which adds unnecessary additional cost and time spent with the limited grant funds. A comprehensive Mitigated Negative Declaration will allow future projects to be implemented more efficiently. This project will be able to utilize these past project’s surveys and reports. This project’s development of a comprehensive Forest Management Plan and CEQA will ensure forest management is done correctly and to leverage future grant opportunities.

Regulatory Requirements

The Forest Management Plan and CEQA Mitigated Negative Declaration will be developed by a Registered Professional Forester (RPF) who will follow regulatory requirements in developing the two documents.

There are no known permits needed for the project since it is a planning project. There are no known property restrictions or encumbrances that could adversely impact project completion.

d. **Organizational Capacity**

Project Applicant:

The Butte County Fire Safe Council (BCFSC) has extensive experience managing grants. During the last 10 years they have successfully implemented 113 grant funds for forest health, watershed protection, pre fire education and fuel reduction.

BCFSC has successfully safeguarded grant funds and management of a variety of projects from beginning to end by:

1. Maintaining five professional staff.
2. Having financial statements reviewed monthly by an actively engaged 17 member Board of Directors.
3. Having a financial management team which includes the Treasurer, Accountant, and Finance and Planning Committee.
4. Following both federal and organizational accounting/financial policies and procedures.
5. Completing a voluntary financial audit with no significant findings in 2014.
6. Actively engaging community fire safe councils, recognized Firewise Communities, and volunteers in project activities.

The BCFSC was developed in March of 1998 and operates with 5 professional staff: an Executive Director (11 years non-profit Executive Director experience, M.A. Geography CSU, Chico), an Assistant Director (36 years of project management & customer service experience), a Bookkeeper (15 years of financial management experience), a Field Coordinator (35 years wildland fire fighting and prevention), a Community Coordinator (10 years project management). The Board of the BCFSC is strong, engaged, and active with 17 members representing federal, state, and local agencies, and community members.

The Council is currently managing through direct award or fiscal sponsorship, 5 federal grants, 1 state grants, 6 local government grants and 3 corporate grants. To accomplish the objective of its programs, the Council also works with, 6 fuels reduction contractors, 1 education coordinator and dozens of volunteers.

The BCFSC has experience in developing and complying with both CEQA and NEPA requirements. The BCFSC has partnered with CALFIRE in the development of 7 CEQA documents for fuels project implementation and with the USFS in the development of 2 NEPA Decision Memos for fuels reduction. The organization takes a lead role in the collaboration process of the Butte County Community Wildfire Protection Plan/Butte Unit Plan. Each year the organization grows and has improved the accounting system, policies and procedures, and developed the infrastructure that allows the management of a variety of projects.

e. Cooperation and Community Support

The project has community support and has been developed in consultation with CALFIRE, USFS, BLM and the three project landowners. The need for the project has been identified in the planning process of the Butte County Community Wildfire Protection Plan/Butte Unit (CWPP). The project has been designed at a landscape level to provide wider watershed protection and ties directly to prior shaded fuel break projects (see map of completed projects).

A number of forest health and watershed improvement projects have been completed in Magalia over the past ten years by the BCFSC and federal partners. However, each project has had individual CEQA and NEPA review at a site specific level. A comprehensive landscape level Forest Management Plan and CEQA document is needed to preserve, protect and enhance health of the forest in Magalia. Without these documents and subsequent implementation of forest health projects the forests health is anticipated to decline with the rise of pine bark beetle, effects of drought, and increasing risks of wildfire. There is no known project opposition.

Project Partners:

- A. The three project landowners will provide review, approval and maintenance of the Forest Health Management Plan over the next ten years.
- B. The Butte County Fire Safe Council (BCFSC) will manage the project and work with the CEQA lead agency to complete the Mitigated Negative Declaration and will apply for grant funding to the SNC for project implementation.

Letters of Support Include:

- 1. Bare on the Ridge
- 2. Butte County Office of Emergency Management
- 3. Paradise Fire Safe Council
- 4. California Conservation Corps
- 5. Butte County Air Quality Management District
- 6. Paradise Pines Property Owners Association
- 7. Paradise Irrigation District
- 8. The Bureau of Land Management

f. Tribal Support Narrative

The project is located in territory influenced by the Mechoopda Indian Tribe of Chico Rancheria. The project has been discussed with a representative of the Mechoopda. The contact is Mike DeSpain, who works within the Mechoopda Environmental Protection Agency. Mike was included in correspondence of the development of the project including the project descriptions and site maps. Mike can be reached at 530-899-8922 ext. 219 or at mdespain@mechoopda-nsn.gov.

g. Long Term Management and Sustainability

The long term management plan for the project is to implement thinning of overstocked trees, watershed enhancements, habitat improvements and other recommendations which the Forest Management Plan (FMP) will identify. A variety of treatment

techniques will be anticipated in the FMP to accommodate the varying topography of the region including: hand cut and pile burn, hand cut with lop and scatter, mastication and hand cut with chipping. BCFSC and three project landowners: PPOA, PID, and PUSD will keep the FMP document active for 10 years by seeking grant funding and implementing forest health treatments. The FMP will be included in the Butte County Community Wildfire Protection Plan/Butte Unit (CWPP). This will ensure that the private timber industry, local, state and federal agencies are able to provide input and develop their projects in conjunction with the FMP.

The SNC will be able to monitor the project site for 25 years in a variety of ways: conducting site visits where treatment has occurred, by requesting reports and maps of areas where work has occurred and by engaging in the CWPP process annually to identify progress made with the plan.

h. Performance Measures

1. Number of People Reached = 20,000

The BCFSC will provide education outreach for forest health, watershed and wildfire safety with in-kind time of volunteer and staff time. Through these activities the project will reach 10,000 people with the following methods:

- Newsletters 2 x 5,000 = 10,000
- Safety Scanner web page = 10,000 web hits (average of 4,250 hits per month)

2. Dollar Value of Resources leveraged for the Sierra Nevada

The BCFSC will provide in-kind funding in the amount of \$5,000 for coordination of the project and \$5,000 for education outreach about the Forest Management Plan with community members, and local, state, and federal partners. Paradise Irrigation District will provide in-kind funding in the amount of \$5,000 for the coordination of the Registered Professional Forester and Archaeologist. Total dollars leveraged are \$15,000.

3. Number of New, Improved, or Preserved Economic Activities

Economic Products Preserved:

- Water- The product of drinking water supplies to the Town of Paradise will be preserved from wildfire.
- Real Estate Revenues - Sales for over 5,000 homes in the community area will be preserved from wildfire.

Economic Services Preserved:

- Education – services provided at two elementary schools in the community of Magalia will be preserved from wildfire.
- Recreation services – services at Paradise Lake (kayaking, fishing and hiking) and in the Paradise Pines Property Owners Association (green belt hiking trails) will be preserved from wildfire.
- Forest Ecosystem Services – Improved air quality, habitat, ground water retention, and other ecosystem products will be preserved.

4. Number and Type of Jobs Created

Temporary jobs created for, and during implementation of, the grant project.

a. Administration

$$2 \text{ laborers} \times 20 \text{ hours} / 2080 \text{ hr/FTE} = .019 \text{ FTE}$$

Project Management

$$1 \text{ laborer} \times 30 \text{ hours} / 2080 \text{ hr/FTE} = .014 \text{ FTE}$$

Contractors

$$1 \text{ laborer} \times 1372 \text{ hours} / 2080 \text{ hr/FTE} = .66 \text{ FTE}$$

$$1 \text{ laborer} \times 424 \text{ hours} / 2080 \text{ hr/FTE} = .20 \text{ FTE}$$

$$2 \text{ laborers} \times 78.5 \text{ hours} / 2080 \text{ hr/FTE} = .075 \text{ FTE}$$

Total 0.968 FTE

Match provided by Butte County Fire Safe Council

a. Administration

$$2 \text{ laborers} \times 50 \text{ hours} / 2080 \text{ hr/FTE} = .048 \text{ FTE}$$

Project Management

$$1 \text{ laborer} \times 50 \text{ hours} / 2080 \text{ hr/FTE} = .024 \text{ FTE}$$

Total 0.072 FTE

Grand Total 1.04 FTE

5. Number of Collaboratively Developed Plans and Assessments

Performance will be measured by the project's resulting Forest Management Plan and CEQA compliance documents. There will be three components to the management plan, one for each of the large landowners: Paradise Irrigation District, Paradise Unified School District, Paradise Pines Property Owners Association. Each of the participating landowners will be involved in the planning process as will the community at large. The expected result of this Performance Measure is one Forest Management Plan and one CEQA Mitigated Negative Declaration.

C. Restrictions, Technical/Environmental Documents and Agreements

There are no permits needed for this project because it is a planning project.

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W. James Wagoner
Air Pollution Control Officer

Robert McLaughlin
Asst. Air Pollution Control Officer

August 25, 2015

Sierra Nevada Conservancy
1521 Blocker Dr., Ste. 205
Auburn, CA 95603

RE: Letter of Support for the Magalia Forest Health Management Plan

Dear Sierra Nevada Conservancy:

The Butte County Air Quality Management District (District) supports the Butte County Fire Safe Council (Council)'s application for grant funds under the "Magalia Forest Health Management Plan" project.

The District has collaborated with the Council over the years and supports their efforts in projects which reduce fuels and the potential for wildfire. Projects such as this not only protect air quality and community infrastructure assets, they also help to restore the health of the forest. In addition, they protect the integrity of local watersheds which contributes to the health of Chinook salmon runs.

Please contact my office if you have any questions regarding our support of this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "W. James Wagoner".

W. James Wagoner
Air Pollution Control Officer



Bare on the Ridge
P.O. Box 883
Magalia, CA 95954



August 19, 2015

Sierra Nevada Conservancy
1521 Blocker Dr., Ste. 205
Auburn, CA 95603

RE: Letter of Support – Magalia Forest Health Management Plan

Dear Sierra Nevada Conservancy,

I am writing you in support of the application of grant funds for the project titled “Magalia Forest Health Management Plan” through the Butte County Fire Safe Council.

Bare on the Ridge has been supporting community wildfire safety for a number of years and sees many values in this project. We feel that our community is a great risk to wildfire and know that this project will go a long way in mitigating those risks. The project will protect watershed values of both Little Butte and Butte Creek. The project will protect the community and forest from devastating wildfires by allowing future fuels reduction.

Sincerely,

Anne Sairs
President, Bare on the Ridge



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Sierra Nevada Conservancy
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Auburn, CA 95603

Subject: Support Magalia Forest Health Management Plan

This letter documents our support of the application of grant funds for the project titled "Magalia Forest Health Management Plan" through the Butte County Fire Safe Council.

The Bureau of Land Management has been conducting fuels reduction in the area and will greatly benefit from the coordinated guidance this project will provide, and agrees to grant full access to the BLM administered parcel for the purposes of completing fuel reduction planning. The project will aid in protection of watershed values of both Little Butte and Butte Creek which contribute to the health of Chinkook Salmon runs. The project will protect the community and forest from devastating wildfires by allowing future fuels reduction.

For any questions relating to this subject please contact Tim Bradley, Redding Field Office Fire Management Officer, at (530) 224-2124.

Sincerely,

ACTING FOR:
Jennifer Mata
Field Manager

CALIFORNIA CONSERVATION CORPS**Chico Satellite**

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Memo to: Sierra Nevada Conservancy
From: Keith Welch, Conservation Supervisor
Subject: Letter of Support – Magalia Forest Health Management Plan
Date: August 25, 2015

I am writing you in support of the application of grant funds for the project titled “Magalia Forest Health Management Plan” through the Butte County Fire Safe Council.

The California Conservation Corps, Chico Satellite has been an active partner with the Butte County Fire Safe Council in promoting community wildfire safety for a number of years in a wide variety of projects, all around the areas of Butte County that are most prone to wildland fires.

We feel that our community is at great risk to wildfire and know that this project will go a long way in mitigating those risks. The project will protect watershed values of both Little Butte and Butte Creek. The project will protect the community and forest from devastating wildfires by allowing future fuels reduction.

By working with the CCC on this project, we will introduce another cohort of young adults to the benefits of living among the trees and forested communities that we call home.

If you need to contact me, feel free to call (530) 894-0495.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Keith Welch', is written over the typed name.

Keith Welch
Conservation Supervisor
CCC Chico Satellite



Butte County Administration

John Gulserian, Emergency Services Officer

Office of Emergency Management

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August 19, 2015

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RE: Letter of Support – Magalia Forest Health Management Plan

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I am writing you in support of the application of grant funds for the project titled “Magalia Forest Health Management Plan” through the Butte County Fire Safe Council.

The Office of Emergency Management has partnered in a number of community emergency and disaster preparedness planning projects in the area and has assisted in monitoring of past completed shaded fuel break projects. There is a clear need for this forest health management plan.

Sincerely,

John Gulserian

Butte County is





August 25, 2015

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Dear Sierra Nevada Conservancy,

I am writing you in support of the application of grant funds for the project titled “Magalia Forest Health Management Plan” through the Butte County Fire Safe Council.

The Paradise Fire Safe Council supports the ongoing community fire safety efforts in the Magalia area due to the interconnectedness of the Town of Paradise and Magalia. During evacuations from Magalia the Town of Paradise resources are impacted. We see great value in this planning project. The future fuels reduction will benefit the safety and drinking water resources of the Town of Paradise.

Sincerely,

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Philip A. John

Chairman
Paradise Fire Safe Council
Paradisefiresafe.com



Paradise Irrigation District

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www.paradiseirrigation.com

August 19, 2015

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The Paradise Irrigation District (PID) provides the sole source of drinking water to the Town of Paradise and has recognized the value of protecting the water quality and quantity in the source watershed of Little Butte Creek. This planning project will provide PID critical information to evolve in our stewardship approaches to forest health management.

Leveraging the management plan with an environmental compliance document for the California Environmental Compliance Act (CEQA) will ensure that future grant dollars can be secured to enhance and protect this critical watershed. We have partnered with the Butte County Fire Safe Council on a number of forest health projects and know they can complete this project. We feel that completing the management plan is the most critical piece in our ongoing forest health management efforts.

Sincerely,
Paradise Irrigation District

George Barber
General Manager

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Paradise Pines

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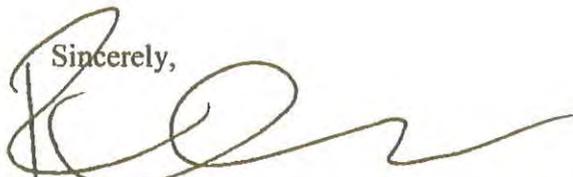
RE: Letter of Support – Magalia Forest Health Management Plan

Dear Sierra Nevada Conservancy,

I am writing you in support of the application of grant funds for the project titled “Magalia Forest Health Management Plan” through the Butte County Fire Safe Council.

The Paradise Pines Property Owners Association (PPOA) is one of the largest in Northern California with 3,370 properties and 540 acres of green belt common lands. The PPOA is located in the center of a mixed conifer forest and is perched on a ridge above Little Butte and Butte Creek watersheds. The PPOA has long recognized its risk to catastrophic wildfire and has implemented a number of outreach projects with residents and engaged in partnerships to mitigate wildfire risks. However what is needed to truly protect the watershed benefits and ensure the health of the forest in and around the PPOA is a management plan and subsequent fuels reduction work. Residents in the PPOA are continually seeking our help in managing the green belt common areas however our staff and volunteers can't keep up with the demand. We feel that expertise and skill set of the Butte County Fire Safe Council will produce a management plan that our association will be able to implement by identifying work areas and maintenance cycles. The resulting benefits to the forest will be innumerable. We ask that you please consider supporting this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ray Villar', with a long, sweeping underline.

Ray Villar
General Manager

SIERRA NEVADA CONSERVANCY
SNC Watershed Improvement Program - DETAILED BUDGET FORM

Project Name: Magalia Forest Health Management Plan

Applicant: Butte County Fire Safe Council

SECTION ONE DIRECT COSTS	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Total
<i>Registered Professional Forester</i>	\$45,500.00					\$45,500.00
<i>Archaeologist</i>	\$20,000.00					\$20,000.00
<i>CEQA Lead Agency Services and CEQA Filing Fees</i>	\$4,000.00					\$4,000.00
<i>Project Management</i>	\$1,500.00					\$1,500.00
DIRECT COSTS SUBTOTAL:	\$71,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$71,000.00

SECTION TWO PARTIAL INDIRECT COSTS	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Total
<i>Monitoring</i>	\$500.00					\$500.00
<i>Reporting, Perf Measures, Invoice Billing</i>	\$500.00					\$500.00
INDIRECT COSTS SUBTOTAL:	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
PROJECT TOTAL:	\$72,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$72,000.00

SECTION THREE						Total
Administrative Costs (Costs may not exceed 15% of the above listed Project costs) :						
<i>*Organization operating/overhead costs</i>	\$3,000.00					\$3,000.00
ADMINISTRATIVE TOTAL:	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00
SNC TOTAL GRANT REQUEST:	\$75,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$75,000.00

SECTION FOUR						
OTHER PROJECT CONTRIBUTIONS	Year One	Year Two	Year Three	Year Four	Year Five	Total
<i>List other funding or in-kind contributors to project (i.e. Sierra Business Council, Department of Water Resources, etc.)</i>						
Paradise Irrigation District	\$5,000.00					\$5,000.00
Butte County Fire Safe Council	\$10,000.00					\$10,000.00
Total Other Contributions:	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,000.00

NOTE: The categories listed on this form are examples and may or may not be an expense related to the project. Rows may be added or deleted on the form as needed. Applicants should contact the SNC if questions arise.

Appendix F - CEQA/NEPA Compliance Form

(California Environmental Quality Act & National Environmental Policy Act)

Instructions: All applicants must complete the CEQA compliance section. Check the box that describes the CEQA status of the proposed project. You must also complete the documentation component and submit any surveys, and/or reports that support the checked CEQA status.

If NEPA is applicable to your project, you must complete the NEPA section in addition to the CEQA section. Check the box that describes the NEPA status of the proposed project. Submit any surveys, and/or reports that support the NEPA status. For both CEQA and NEPA, submittal of permits is only necessary if they contain conditions providing information regarding potential environmental impacts.

NOTE: Effective July 1, 2015, AB52 compliance is required.

CEQA STATUS

(All applicants must complete this section)

Check the box that corresponds with the CEQA compliance for your project. The proposed action is either Categorical Exempt from CEQA, requires a Negative Declaration, Mitigated Negative Declaration, or an Environmental Impact Report per CEQA.

Categorical Exemption or Statutory Exemption

If a project is exempt from CEQA, all applicants, including public agencies that provide a filed Notice of Exemption, are required to provide a clear and comprehensive description of the physical attributes of the project site, including potential and known special-status species and habitat, in order for the SNC to make a determination that the project is exempt. A particular project that ordinarily would fall under a specific category of exemption may require further CEQA review due to individual circumstances, i.e., it is within a sensitive location, has a cumulative impact, has a significant effect on the environment, is within a scenic highway, impacts an historical resource, or is on a hazardous waste site. Potential cultural/archaeological resources must be noted, but do not need to be specifically listed or mapped at the time of application submittal. Backup data informing the exemption decision, such as biological surveys, Cultural Information Center requests, research papers, etc. should accompany the full application. Applicants anticipating the SNC to file an exemption should conduct the appropriate surveys and submit an information request to an office of the California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS).

1. Describe how your project complies with the requirements for claiming a Categorical or Statutory Exemption per CEQA:

2. If your organization is a state or local governmental agency, submit a signed, approved Notice of Exemption (NOE) documenting the use of the Categorical Exemption or Statutory Exemption, along with any permits, surveys, and/or reports that have been completed to support this CEQA status. The Notice of Exemption must bear a date stamp to show that it has been filed with the State Clearinghouse and/or County Clerk, as required by CEQA.
3. If your organization is a nonprofit, there is no other California public agency having discretionary authority over your project, and you would like the SNC to prepare a NOE for your project, let us know that and list any permits, surveys, and/or reports that have been completed to support the CEQA status. All supplementary documentation must be provided to the SNC before the NOE can be prepared.

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- Negative Declaration OR**
 Mitigated Negative Declaration

If a project requires a Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration, then applicants must work with a qualified public agency, i.e., one that has discretionary authority over project approval or permitting, to complete the CEQA process.

1. Describe how your project complies with the requirements for the use of a Negative Declaration or a Mitigated Negative Declaration per CEQA:

2. Submit the approved Initial Study and Negative Declaration/Mitigated Negative Declaration along with any Mitigation Monitoring or Reporting Plans, permits, surveys, and/or reports that have been completed to support this CEQA status. The IS/ND/MND must be accompanied by a signed, approved Notice of Determination, which must bear a date stamp to show that it has been filed with the State Clearinghouse and/or County Clerk, as required by CEQA.

Environmental Impact Report

If a project requires an Environmental Impact Report, then applicants must work with a qualified public agency, i.e., one that has discretionary authority over project approval or permitting, to complete the CEQA process.

1. Describe how your project complies with the requirements for the use of an Environmental Impact Report per CEQA:

2. Submit the Draft and Final Environmental Impact Report along with any Mitigation Monitoring or Reporting Plans, permits, surveys, and/or reports that have been completed to support this CEQA status. The EIR documentation must be accompanied by a signed, approved Notice of Determination, which must bear a date stamp to show that it has been filed with the State Clearinghouse and/or County Clerk, as required by CEQA.
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NEPA STATUS

Check the box that corresponds with the NEPA compliance for your project.

Categorical Exclusion

Submit the signed, approved Decision Memo and Categorical Exclusion, as well as documentation to support the Categorical Exclusion, including any permits, surveys, and/or reports that have been completed to support this NEPA status.

Environmental Assessment & Finding of No Significant Impact

Submit the signed, approved Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact along with any permits, surveys, and/or reports that have been completed to support this NEPA status.

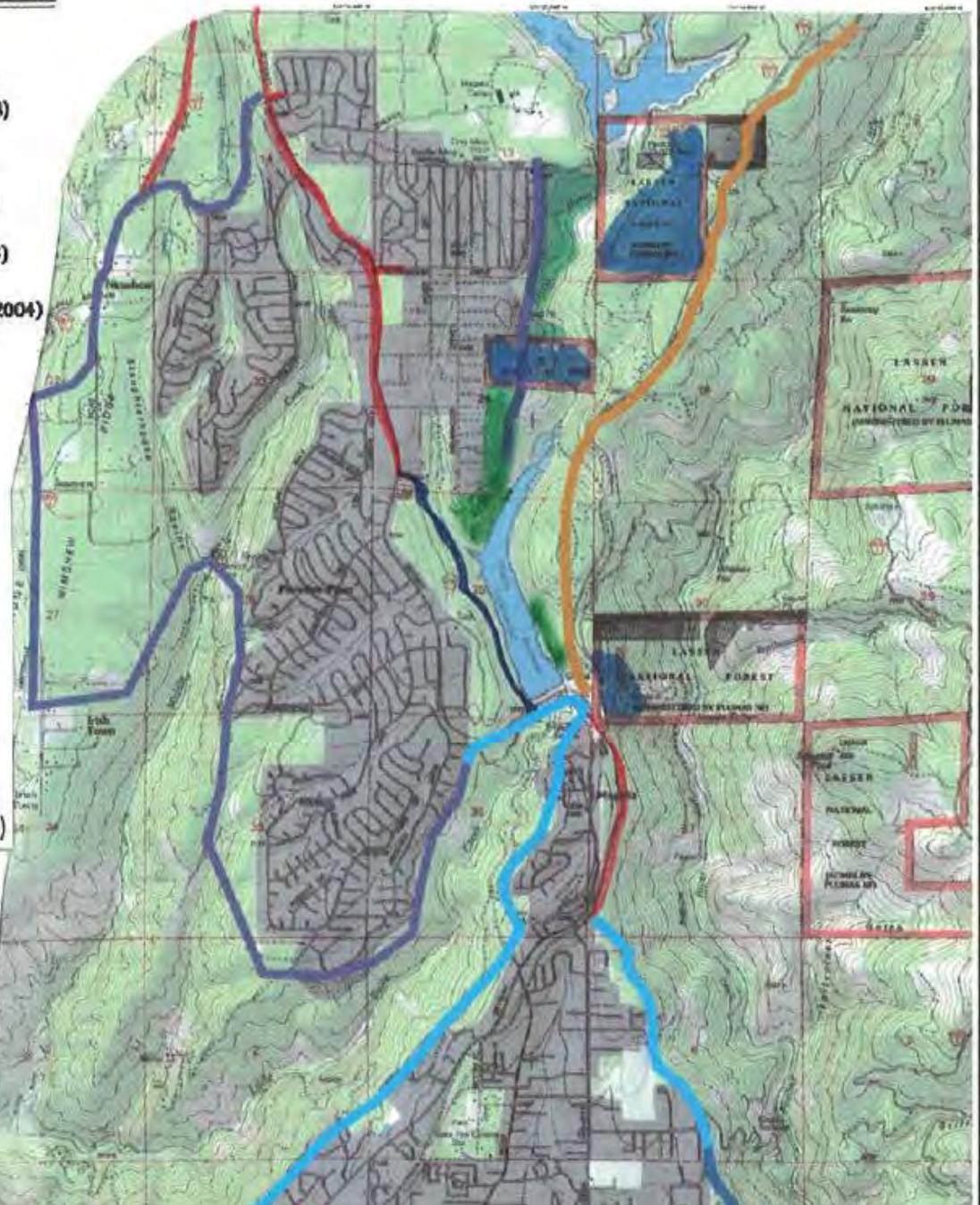
Environmental Impact Statement

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Completed Fuels Reduction Projects in Magalia

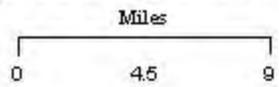
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GREENBELT FUEL REDUCTION (2002)
- ORANGE:**
JORDAN HILL FUEL REDUCTION PROJECT (2003)
- DARK BLUE:**
WEST BRANCH FUEL REDUCTION PROJECT (2003)
- MEDIUM BLUE:**
TOP OF PARADISE FUEL REDUCTION PROJECT (2004)
DEAN ROAD ROADSIDE FUEL REDUCTION (2003)
- DARKER BROWN:**
COURTLING ROAD SHADED FUEL BREAK AND WATERSHED PROTECTION PROJECT (2007)
- RED:**
DRY CREEK FUEL REDUCTION PROJECT (2007)
- Red**
New Skyway Shaded Fuel Break (2010)
Upper Ridge Shaded Fuel Break (2011)
- Navy Blue**
USFS Concow Project 2013
- Teal**
Little Butte Creek (2012)
- Light Green**
Dogtown Road Shaded Fuel Break (2011)
- GREEN:**
WEST PARADISE FUEL REDUCTION (2008)
HONEY RUN FUEL REDUCTION PROJECT (2008)
- LIGHT BLUE:**
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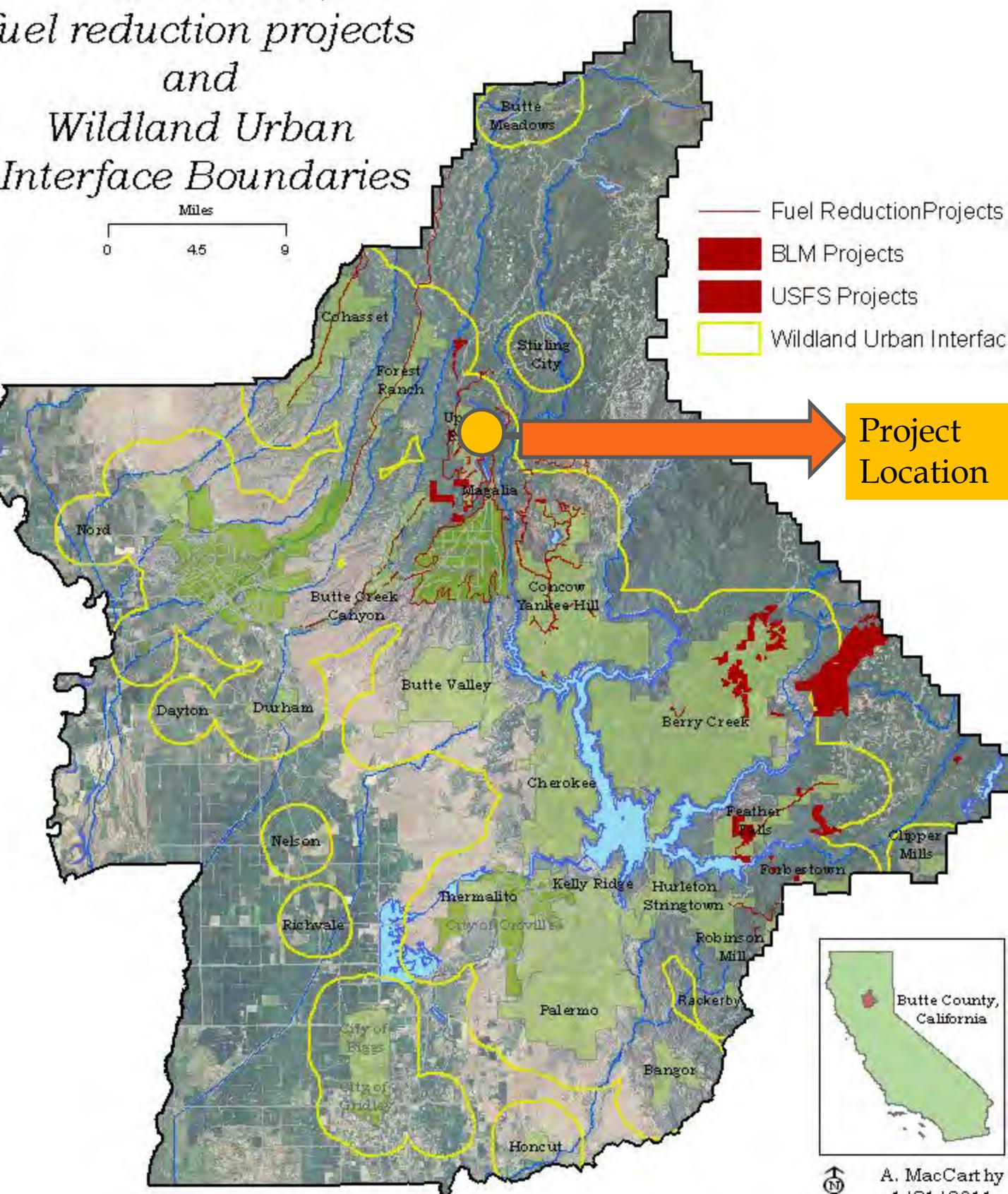


Magalia Forest Health Management Plan

*Butte County
Communities,
Fuel reduction projects
and
Wildland Urban
Interface Boundaries*



- Fuel Reduction Projects
- BLM Projects
- USFS Projects
- Wildland Urban Interface



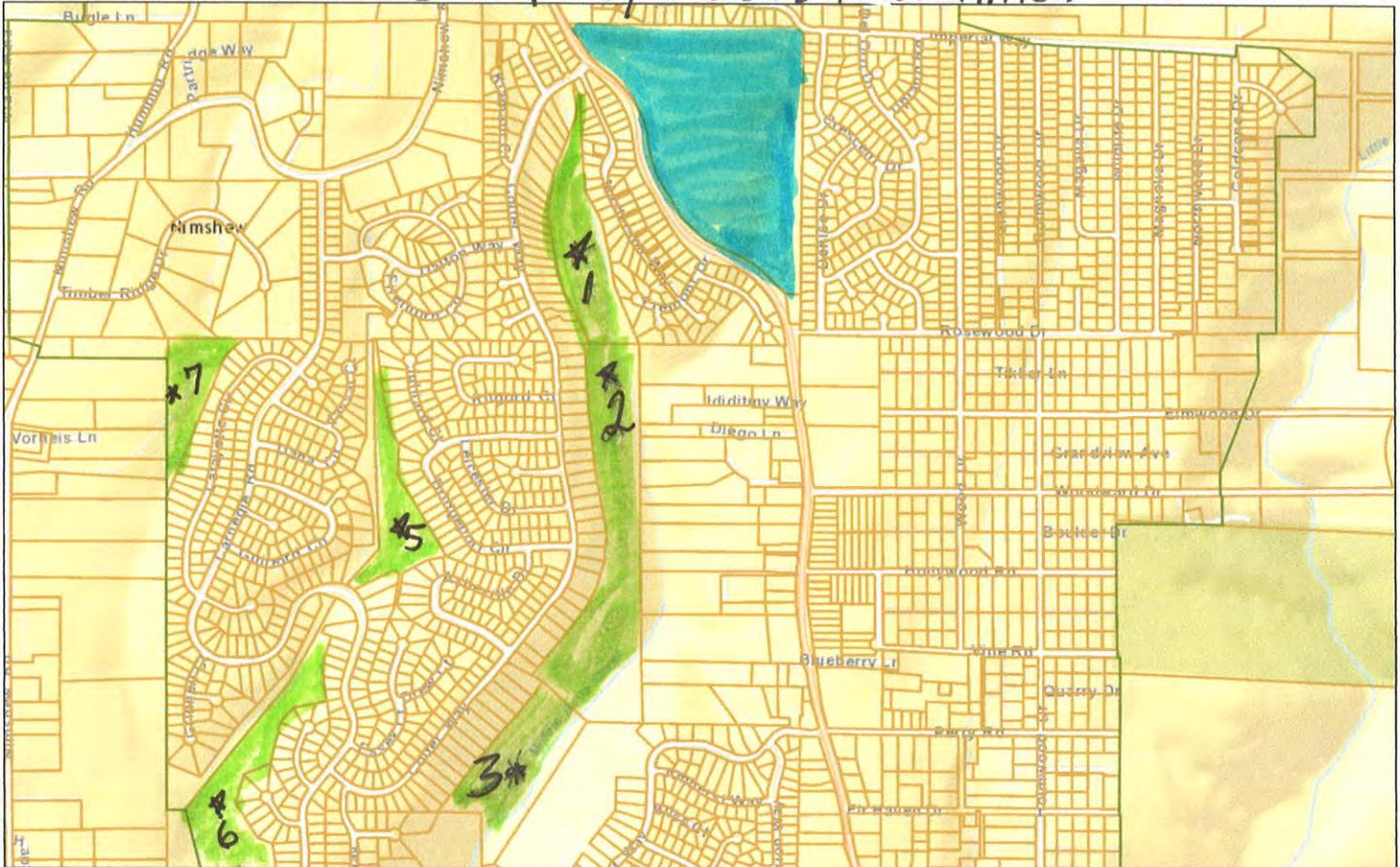
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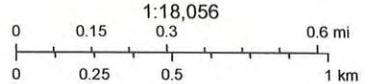
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Paradise Pines Property Owners Association and PUSD lands



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- City Limits
- Community
- Parcels
- Greenline
- Butte County Boundary



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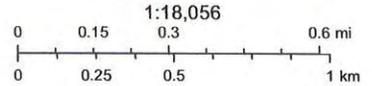
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 - 5* 064-040-042 POA
 - 6* 064-090-015 POA
 - 7* 064-210-059 POA

Parcel map 2
 PUSD parcel



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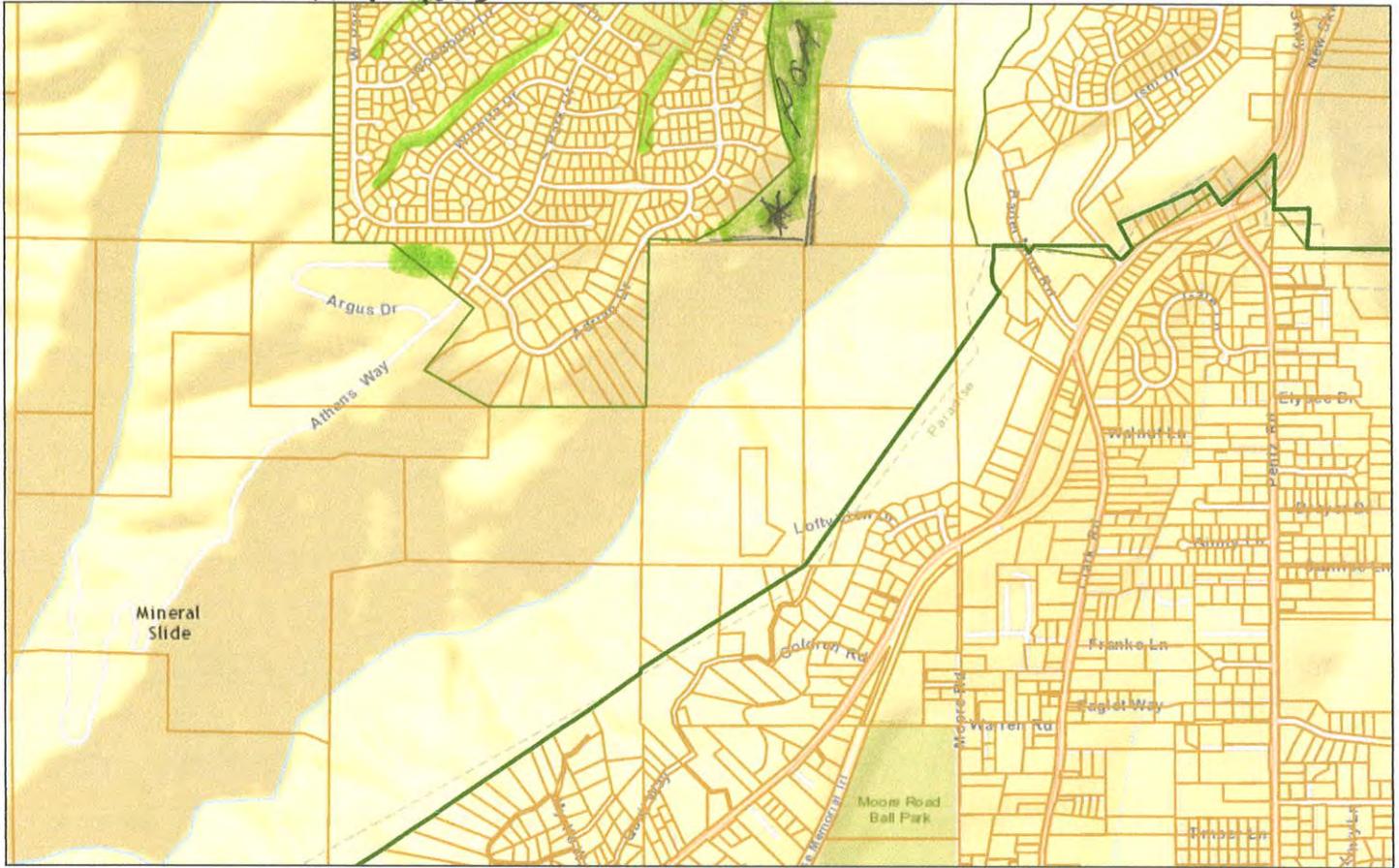
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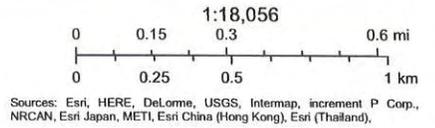
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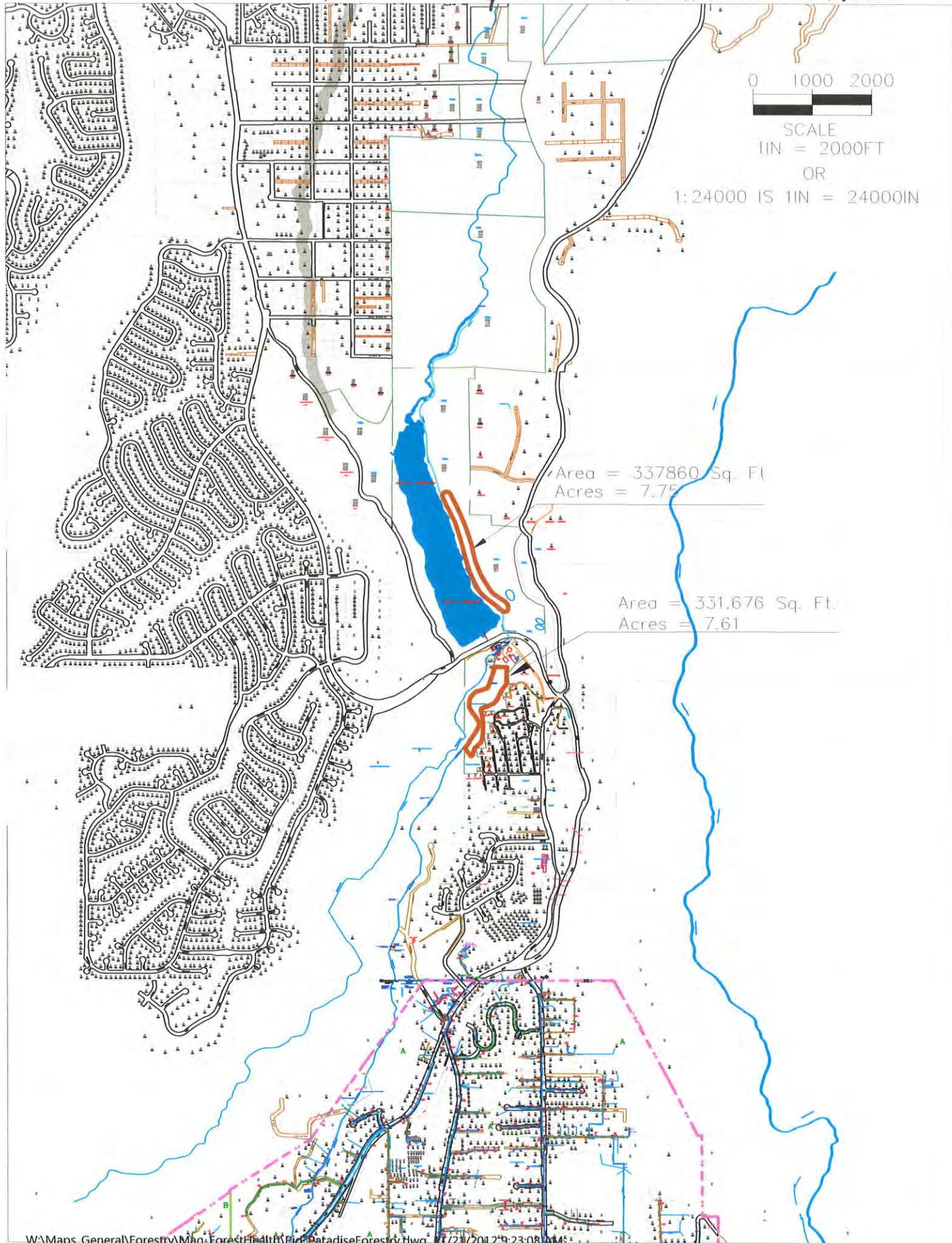
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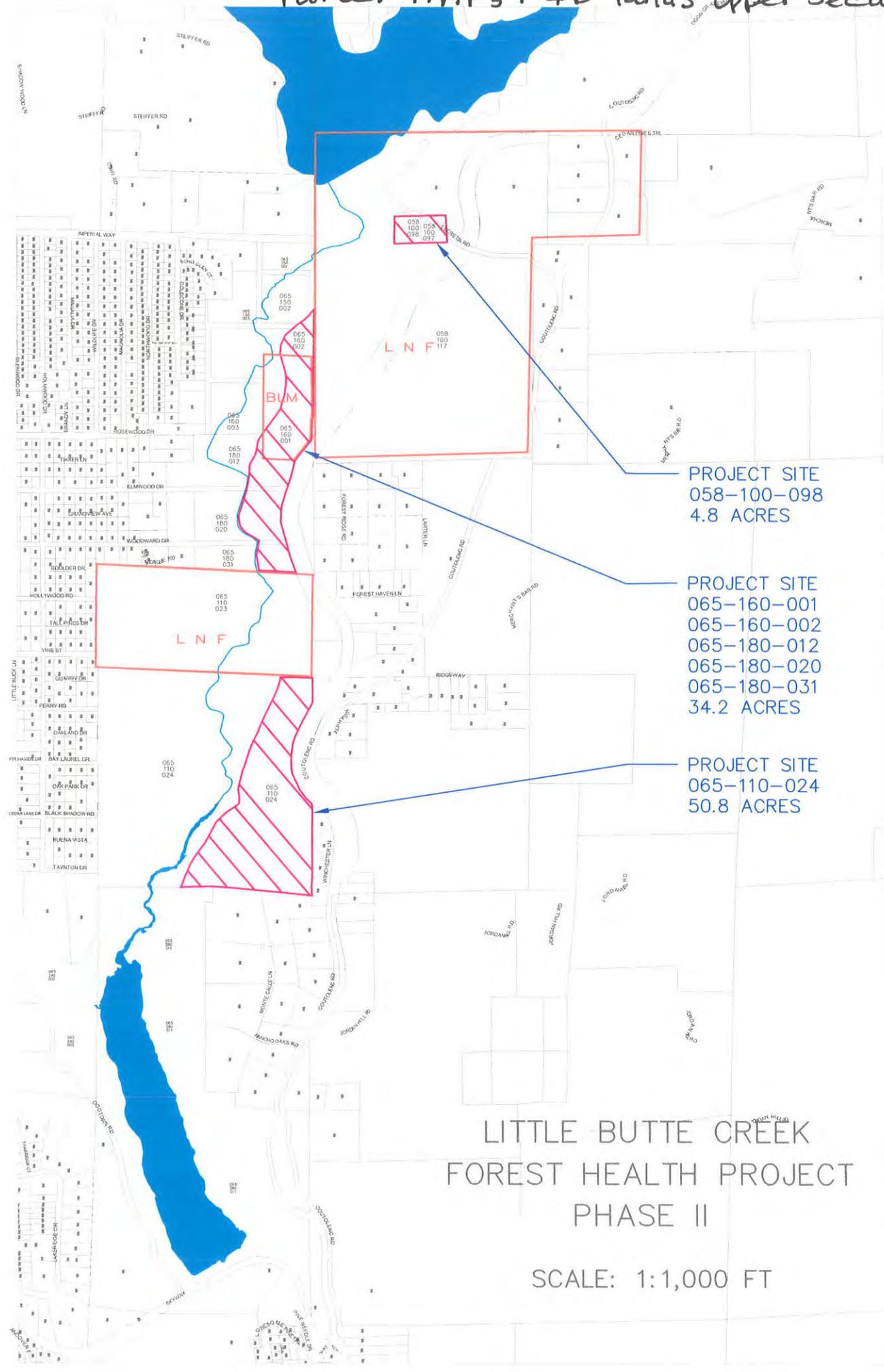
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Parcel map, PID lands lower section



Parcel map PFD lands upper section



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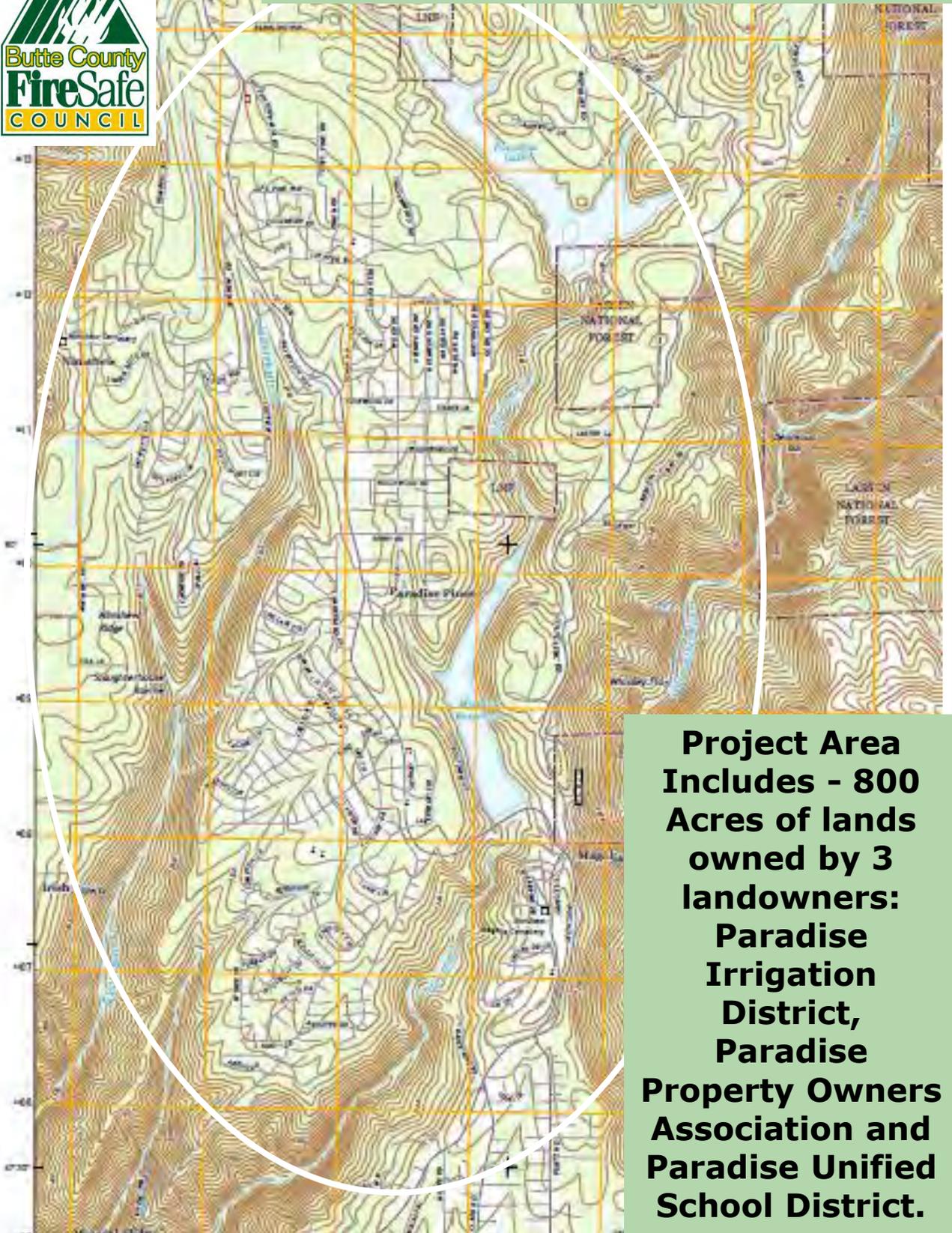
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY



Magalia Forest Health Management Plan – Topographic Map



Project Area Includes - 800 Acres of lands owned by 3 landowners: Paradise Irrigation District, Paradise Property Owners Association and Paradise Unified School District.











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Magalia Forest Health Management Plan

Alternate Process as pertaining to the following application checklist sections

6. c. Restrictions, Technical/Environmental Documents and Agreements (Alternate Process)

8. d. Land Tenure Documents

8. d. Leases or Agreements

Memorandums of Understandings establishing authorization to conduct the project on the participating land owner's property have been reviewed by the partners and will be signed at their upcoming Board meetings on the following dates:

- Paradise Pines Property Owners Association – September 8th 2015
- Paradise Unified School District – September 18th, 2015
- Paradise Irrigation District – September 16th, 2015
- Butte County Fire Safe Council – September 2nd, 2015

These MOU's are included in the application under EFN RestAgree.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
Butte County Fire Safe Council
And
Paradise Irrigation District
Magalia Forest Health Management Plan

This **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)** sets forth the terms of a working relationship between the Butte County Fire Safe Council (BCFSC) and Paradise Irrigation District (PID) to implement the Magalia Forest Health Management Plan.

Whereas PID has undertaken a number of fuels reduction projects on their property and has partnered with BCFSC on the Little Butte Creek Forest Health Project Phase I and Magalia Reservoir Shaded Fuel Break along Dog Town Road. Whereas PID and BCFSC share a common vision of reducing fire hazardous fuels and have partnered on prior grant applications.

Therefore Board of Directors of PID and BCFSC agree to continue to seek funding for fuels reduction on PID property by applying to the Sierra Nevada Conservancy's Proposition 1 grant program. PID will allow the Butte County Fire Safe Council and California Conservation Corps to access their property to conduct fuels reduction, monitoring, planning and other aspects of the project. PID will allow Sierra Nevada Conservancy to access the property for up to 25 years for monitoring purposes.

Project Description: Reduce hazardous fuels on Paradise Irrigation District Property. The project will restore Little Butte Creeks watershed health by enhancing the forest ecosystem and watershed protection by thinning densely overstocked trees and brush.

Project Goal:

1. Restore Little Butte Creek watershed health by enhancing the forest ecosystem.
3. Improve the probability that fires developing in the community of Magalia can be contained in the initial attack phase and will not damage US Forest Service lands.

Project Objectives:

1. Reduce fire hazardous fuels with pile burning and chipping utilizing conservation crews.
2. Monitor the projects with a field surveys.
3. Provide firewise education through a field trip, an education newsletter and web site posting.
4. Collaborate in fire safe community events.

Through this agreement Butte County Fire Safe Council and Paradise Irrigation District acknowledge their individual responsibilities and agree to provide the following services necessary to carry out the above referenced grant in a timely and appropriate manner.

Paradise Irrigation District responsibility for overall project management through the following tasks:

1. Providing project planning and oversight on PID lands to ensure that all activities are undertaken in accordance with grant conditions.
2. Assist with environmental compliance work.
3. Maintain the project for ten years.
4. Provide matching funds in the amount of \$5,000 to be paid to the Butte County Fire Safe Council with accompanying invoices detailing hours worked, description of activity and hourly billable rate.

Butte County Fire Safe Council as fiscal sponsor will provide the following services:

1. Maintain all financial records
2. Assist with environmental compliance work.
3. Administering all subcontracts for services and materials as the project requires.
4. Prepare any reports required by the grant.
5. Prepare Request for Advance/Reimbursement
6. Monthly disbursements based on invoices from contractors and sub-contractors

Term: The term of this MOU is for three years from the date of execution.

Amendments: This MOU may be amended with the written approval of Paradise Irrigation District and Butte County Fire Safe Council.

Cancellation: either party upon the giving of thirty (30) day's advance written notice may cancel this MOU.

Butte County Fire Safe Council:

By _____
Darrel Wilson, Chair

Date: _____

Paradise Irrigation District:

By _____

Date: _____

Ken Hunt, President

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Project Description: Develop and forest management plan and environmental compliance documentation for the PPOA greenbelt common area lands with the goal of finding future funding to undertake fuels projects and watershed enhancement projects on Paradise Pines Property Owners Association Property. The project will restore Little Butte Creek and Butte Creek watershed health by enhancing the forest ecosystem and watershed protection by thinning densely overstocked trees and brush.

Project Goal:

1. Develop a forest management plan and environmental compliance documentation.
2. Seek future funding for fuels reduction and watershed enhancement projects.
3. Restore Little Butte Creek and Butte Creek watershed health by enhancing the forest ecosystem.

Project Objectives:

1. Identify treatment areas and treatment prescriptions.
2. Complete CEQA checklist, archeological surveys and all environmental compliance activities.
3. Seek funding to reduce fire hazardous fuels with pile burning and chipping utilizing conservation crews.
4. Monitor the projects with a field surveys.
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4. Collaborate in fire safe community events.

Through this agreement Butte County Fire Safe Council and Paradise Pines Property Owners Association acknowledge their individual responsibilities and agree to provide the following services necessary to carry out the above referenced grant in a timely and appropriate manner.

Paradise Pines Property Owners Association responsibility for overall project management through the following tasks:

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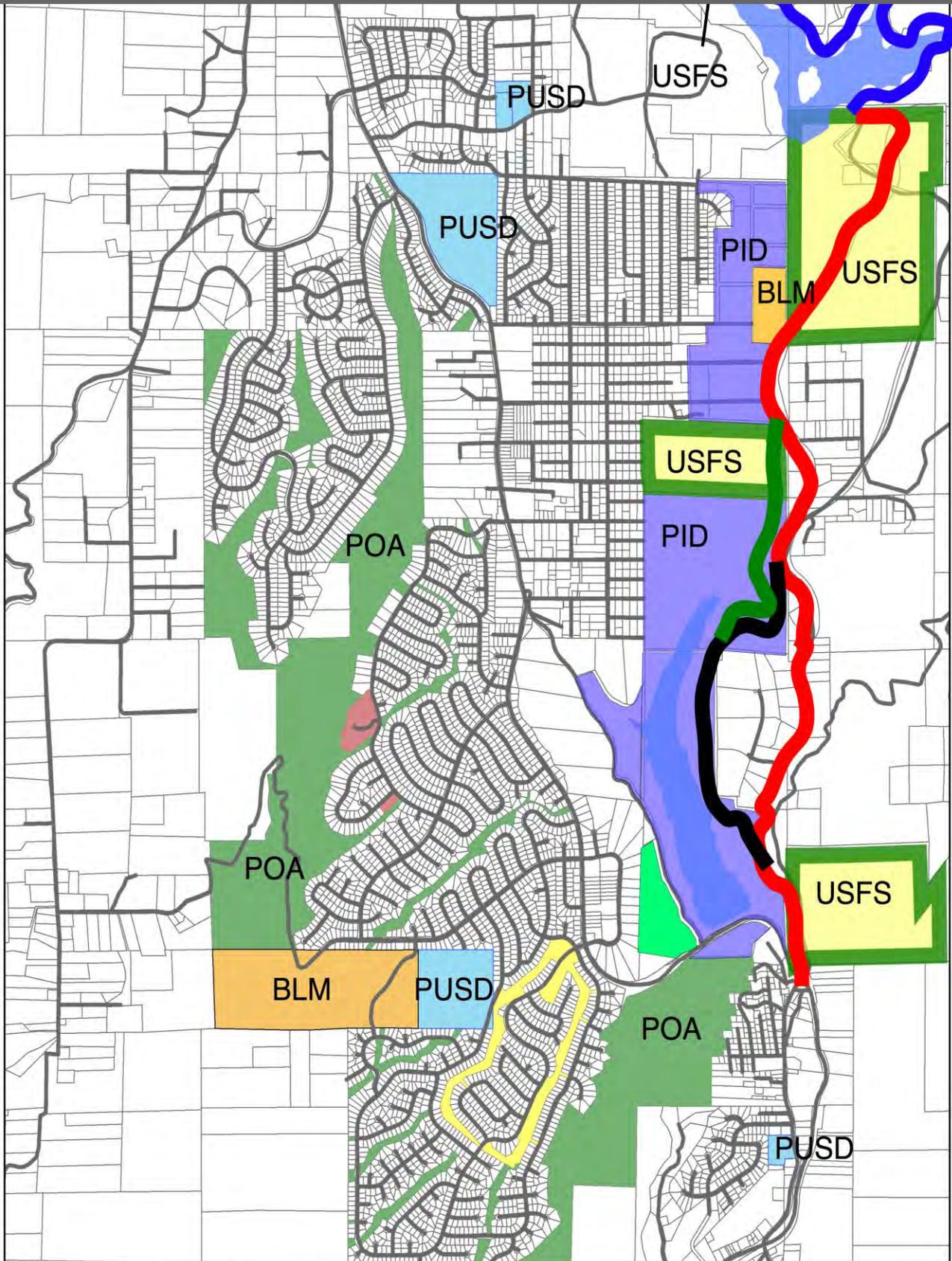
Date: _____

Paradise Unified School District:

By _____

Date: _____

Magalia Forest Health Plan – Site Plan



Project to take place on POA (540 acres), PID (180 acres) and 2 PUSD parcels (60 acres)



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August 25, 2015

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RE: Long-Term Management and Tenure – Magalia Forest Health Management Plan

Dear Sierra Nevada Conservancy:

Thank you for your consideration of grant funds for the project titled “Magalia Forest Health Management Plan” through the Butte County Fire Safe Council on Paradise Irrigation District lands (PID).

The purpose of this letter is to assure you that the Paradise irrigation District is committed to maintaining the health of our forest. Specifically, if successful in receipt of this grant, we will commit to maintaining the project area going forward into the future for ten years. Sierra Nevada Conservancy will be allowed to monitor the project site for 25 years. PID will allow the Butte County Fire Safe Council and Registered Professional Forester, Archeologists or other type of project contractors to access their property to conduct monitoring, planning and other aspects of the project.

This project will increase the sustainability of the two large watersheds in Magalia, Little Butte and Butte Creek, improve forest health and protect drinking water supplies from the damages of catastrophic wildfire.

Sincerely,
Paradise Irrigation District

George Barber
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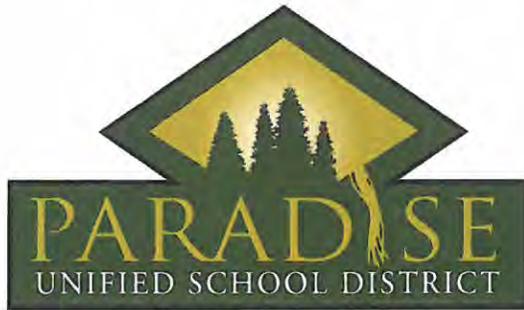
The purpose of this letter is to assure you that the Paradise Pines Property Owners Association has tenure to the lands included in the project and is committed to maintaining the health of our forest. Specifically, if successful in receipt of this grant, we will commit to maintaining the project going forward into the future for ten years. We will maintain the project by engaging our Board, staff and volunteers in planning and implementation of forest health management on our lands as the plan will outline.

Sierra Nevada Conservancy will be allowed to monitor the project site for 25 years. The Butte County Fire Safe Council, any contractors conducting surveys associated with the Management Plan and CEQA are given permission to enter our lands during the project.

This project will increase the sustainability of the Little Butte Creek and Butte Creek Watershed, improve forest health and protect drinking water supplies from the damages of catastrophic wildfire.

Sincerely,

Ray Villar
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RE: Long-Term Management and Tenure and – Magalia Forest Health Project

Dear Sierra Nevada Conservancy,

I am writing you in support of the application of grant funds for the project titled “Magalia Forest Health Management Plan” through the Butte County Fire Safe Council.

The purpose of this letter is to assure you that the Paradise Unified School District has tenure to the lands included in the project and is committed to maintaining the health of our forest. Specifically, if successful in receipt of this grant, we will commit to maintaining the project area going forward into the future for ten years. Sierra Nevada Conservancy will be allowed to monitor the project site for 25 years.

This project will increase the sustainability of the Little Butte Creek and Butte Creek Watershed, improve forest health and protect drinking water supplies from the damages of catastrophic wildfire.

Sincerely,

Donna Colosky
Superintendent

Board of Trustees

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Land Tenure Requirements (Alternate Process)

Magalia Forest Health Management Plan

Memorandums of Understandings establishing authorization to conduct the project on the participating land owner's property have been reviewed by the partners and will be signed at their upcoming Board meetings on the following dates:

Paradise Pines Property Owners Association – September 8th 2015

Paradise Unified School District – September 18th, 2015

Paradise Irrigation District – September 16th, 2015

Butte County Fire Safe Council – September 2nd, 2015