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Lost Wages Fire Safe Council
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Applicant Information

1. Applicant Organization Type: Select the appropriate organization type. Use the space after the associated checkbox to specify the IRS section (for non-profits), type of government agency (for government agencies) or describe an entity not listed.

Organizations must be incorporated to do business in California and have a Federal Employer Identification Number/Federal Tax Identification Number (FEIN/FTIN). A fiscal sponsor must be identified if the organization does not meet this requirement.

- Home/ Property Owners Association
Native American Tribe
For Profit Company
Resource Conservation District
Nonprofit Organization- What is your organization's IRS Section for Non-Profits, Please explain: 501(c)(3) , ,
Non-Federal Government Agency - Which agency, please explain: 501(c)(3) , ,
Other - Please specify your unique type, please explain: 501(c)(3) , ,

2. Is your organization a Fire Safe Council?

- Yes

No

3. Enter applicant organization's unique entity identifier (UEI) code and expiration date. To register with SAM, go to: <https://www.sam.gov>

If the applicant organization does not have a UEI code they cannot be a direct grantee. They must then utilize the services of a fiscal sponsor.

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4. Applicant Organization Contact Information: List the key individuals (including board members) of the applicant organization that will be involved in this project. Identify a) Name and title, b) Role and responsibilities, c) Time in Role, d) Whether they are paid (indicate employee or consultant) or volunteer.

1. Joe Smith – Executive Director

- Role & Responsibilities: Provides overall project oversight, ensures alignment with organizational mission, approves budget modifications, oversees reporting, and coordinates with state and regional partners.
- Time in Role: 4 years
- Compensation: Paid employee

2. Joe Smith – Project Manager

- Role & Responsibilities: Manages day to day project operations including scheduling field work, coordinating contractors, managing community engagement activities, tracking deliverables, and preparing progress reports.
- Time in Role: 2 years
- Compensation: Paid employee

3. Joe Smith – Fuels Mitigation Specialist

- Role & Responsibilities: Provides technical guidance for fuels reduction activities; conducts site assessments, verifies treatment prescriptions, and ensures compliance with environmental and safety standards.
- Time in Role: 7 years (contracted with organization for the last 18 months)
- Compensation: Paid consultant

4. Joe Smith – Community Engagement Coordinator

- Role & Responsibilities: Leads outreach and education; coordinates community meetings, develops mitigation education materials, manages volunteer recruitment, and maintains project communication channels.
- Time in Role: 3 years
- Compensation: Paid employee

5. Board Member Representatives (Involved in Project Governance)

a. Joe Smith – Board Chair

- Role & Responsibilities: Provides governance oversight, assists with stakeholder coordination, and participates in high level project review and approval processes.
- Time in Role: 5 years on board; 2 years as chair
- Compensation: Volunteer

b. Joe Smith – Board Treasurer

- Role & Responsibilities: Provides financial oversight, reviews budget-to-actual reports, assists with grant fiscal compliance, and ensures accountability for s

5. Enter the name, title and affiliation of the person(s) writing this grant application

Joe Smith, Grants Specialist, Staff of organization

6. Enter the applicant organization's formation date and date of incorporation.

01/01/2000 and 01/01/2005

Application Organizational Capacity

7. Describe the following: 2 federal and 2 non-federal grant accomplishments achieved in the past 5 years (if applicable), and any current open grants with anticipated closing date(s).

Indicate source(s) of funding, amount(s) and year(s) received. If no grant history, provide other

accomplishment examples. Please provide closeout dates for current grants.

Federal Grants (2)

1) FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)

Source / Program: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) HMGP

Award Year / Amount: 2022 \$450,000

Project Title: Wildland–Urban Interface (WUI) Defensible Space & Home Hardening Initiative

Geography: Two adjacent Communities at Risk (CAR) in Very High FHSZ

Accomplishments:

Conducted 1250 parcel level defensible space inspections and treatments

installed ember-resistant vents and applied Class A roof upgrades on 78 low-income homes

Delivered 16 mitigation workshops

Closeout Status: Closed as of December 15, 2025

2) U.S. Forest Service – Community Wildfire Defense Grant (CWDG)

Program: USDA Forest Service - CWSG

Year/Amount: 2023 - \$325,000.00

Project Title: CWPP Update & Evacuation Preparedness Planning

Accomplishments:

Completed CWPP update with new risk model

Produced evacuation traffic analysis

Trained 44 neighborhood leaders

Status: Ongoing, closeout anticipated November 2026

Non-Federal Grants(2)

CAL FIRE- Wildfire Prevention Grants (WPFG)

Source: CAL FIRE

Year/Amount: 2021-\$600,000.

Project Title: Strategic Roadside Shaded Fuel Breaks

Accomplishments:

18.4 miles of shaded fuel breaks

reduced ladder fuels and treated 520 acres

Closeout- Closed 6/28/2024

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Year/Amount: 2021-\$600,000.

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Accomplishments:

18.4 miles of shaded fuel breaks

reduced ladder fuels and treated 520 acres

Closeout- Open, planned close June 2026

Fiscal Sponsor Information

8. Will the applicant organization utilize the services of a fiscal sponsor?

The applicant organization and the fiscal sponsor must memorialize the responsibilities of both parties in a formal written agreement. The agreement must be signed by both parties and submitted with this application.

Yes - The fiscal sponsor's information will be provided below.

No - The applicant is not using a fiscal sponsor

9. Fiscal Sponsor Organization Type: Select the appropriate organization type. Use the space after the associated checkbox to specify the IRS section (for non-profits), type of government agency (for government agencies) or describe an entity not listed.

-answer not presented because of the answer to #8-

10. Enter Fiscal Sponsor organization's s unique entity identifier (UEI) code and expiration date.

-answer not presented because of the answer to #8-

11. Fiscal Sponsor Information: Provide the fiscal sponsor organization name, the date (date and year) the organization was formed or incorporated, and the name, title, email address, and phone number of the primary contact for the fiscal sponsor organization. Also provide administrative contact information if different from the primary contact.

-answer not presented because of the answer to #8-

12. List the fiscal sponsor's key individuals (including board members) that will be involved in this project. For each person list a) name and title, b) role and responsibilities, c) whether they are a paid employee, paid consultant, or a volunteer.

-answer not presented because of the answer to #8-

13. Describe the following for Fiscal Sponsor: 2 federal and 2 non-federal grant accomplishments achieved in the past 5 years (if applicable), and any current open grants with anticipated closing date (s).

-answer not presented because of the answer to #8-

14. The applicant organization has legal standing and does not require utilization of a fiscal sponsor.

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Project Description

1. What type of project is this application proposing?

Check the box(es) to indicate the type(s) of project(s) you are planning. Example: Fuel Treatment and Education. Please select all that apply:

- Education
- Fuel Treatment
- Planning

2. If this is an ongoing or maintenance project, identify the name and the grant number of the project under which the earlier parts of the project were funded.

If this is not an ongoing or maintenance project, type "N/A".

N/A

3. Describe your project.

Please provide a specific description of the project including the project size and location, collaborator's roles and responsibilities, planning, education, or fuel treatment methods that are part of the project.

The Lost Wages Fire Safe Council proposes a comprehensive wildfire-mitigation and planning project serving 123 fake community, a high-risk wildland-urban interface neighborhood with dense vegetation, limited evacuation routes, and elevated hazardous fuel loads. The project includes roadside fuels reduction, community chipper days, and a full update of the Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). This integrated approach will reduce wildfire risk, support safe evacuations, and strengthen long-term community resilience.

Project Size and Location

The project will treat approximately 20-40 acres of hazardous vegetation along key roadside corridors that serve as primary ingress/egress routes for 123 Fake Community. Treatment zones include public rights-of way, community association easements, and priority roadside segments identified in prior planning documents. The CWPP update will encompass the entire community.

Collaborators

LW-FSC will lead project coordination, community engagement, and reporting. Key collaborators include:

Local Fire Authority: Provide Technical oversight, ensure treatment methods align with fire behavior modeling, and contribute to evacuation planning elements of the CWPP.

Public Works: Approve roadside access, coordinate traffic control, and support debris disposal.

Volunteer Network: Provide in-kind labor during chipper days and assist with on-the-ground fuels reduction tasks.

Fuel Treatment & Vegetation Management Methods.

Removal of overgrown brush, grasses, and woody debris

Limbing up of three branches to reduce ladder fuels

Thinning overstocked vegetation to widen defensible roadway corridors.

Chipping, hauling, or disposing of biomass per local regulations.

Chipper Days

LW-FSC will host multiple community chipper events, providing free green-waste disposal to residents. Activities include:

Centralized drop off points and curbside pick up options.

On-site chipping with trained staff and volunteers.

Education on proper vegetation disposal and defensible space standards.

CWPP Update

The CWPP update will modernize the community's wildfire risk analysis and project roadmap by:

Integrating new fuel-loading data, fire modeling, and hazard maps

Conducting stakeholder meetings, public workshops, and community surveys

Identifying and prioritizing future mitigation projects

Refining evacuation and emergency preparedness plans.

4. Describe how the planning, education, or prescription for vegetation treatment was developed and indicate the name of individual(s) who planned the prescription.

Indicate the specific methods by which the wildfire problem will be addressed and include acres treated. Indicate the title of the individual(s) who developed the prescription, their affiliated organization/agency, and relevant credentials.

The vegetation-treatment prescription for the 123 Fake Community Wildfire Mitigation Project was developed by the LW-FSC in partnership with wildfire-mitigation specialists and the local fire authority. The planning process combined fields assessments, GIS analysis, and review of prior hazard-reduction priorities identified in earlier community documents.

Individuals who Developed the Treatment Prescription

1. John Smith, RPF #XXXX

Registered Professional Forester

Fire Behavior & Vegetation Management Specialist

Affiliation: Wildland Resilience Consulting Group. John has been an RPF for 15 years working in wildland fuels analysis and CAL Fire aligned treatment planning.

2. Captain John Smith

Wildfire Mitigation and Prevention Officer

Affiliation: Fake County Department.

Captain Smith provided technical review to ensure prescriptions aligned with observed fire-behavior patterns, access/egress needs, and local evacuation-route priorities within the community.

The prescription was developed using On-the-ground field surveys, GIS fuel mapping, Fire behavior modeling, community feedback, and planning documents.

The Treatment prescription incorporates a combination of fuel-modification techniques designed to reduce fire intensity, improve roadside safety, and increase defensible space compliance.

Mechanical removal of dense brush, grasses, and invasive vegetation
Hand Thinning of overstocked shrubs and small-diameter trees
Limbing up tree branches to reduce ladder fuels
Removal of dead/downed woody debris along priority corridors
Roadside clearance to meet safe-egress standards
Chipping on-site biomass processing to reduce green-waste accumulation.

5. How will the project reduce wildfire hazards in the project area?

Describe the specific outcomes of the project and indicators of success.

The proposed project will significantly reduce wildfire hazards in 123 Fake Community by decreasing fuel loads, improving evacuation safety, and increasing community-wide participation in defensible-space maintenance. Through roadside fuels treatments, community chipper days, and an updated Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP), the project directly addresses the most critical wildfire risk factors in the community.

1. Roadside Fuels Reduction (20–40 Acres Treated)

- Lower flame lengths and reduce rate of spread adjacent to homes and roadways
- Minimize ladder fuels that allow fire to climb into the canopy
- Improve visibility and access for emergency responders
- Enhance the safety and functionality of key ingress/egress routes

2. Community Chipper Days

- Empower residents to remove hazardous vegetation on private properties
- Reduce accumulation of fuels in defensible-space zones
- Provide proper disposal for green waste to avoid ignition risks
- Contribute substantial in-kind labor toward the project's \$300,000 match

3. Updated Community Wildfire Protection Plan

- Identify new high-risk zones and priority treatment areas
- Integrate modern fire-behavior modeling and updated hazard maps
- Strengthen coordinated evacuation planning
- Provide a roadmap for long-term mitigation and community investment

Specific Outcomes and Indicators of Success

Outcome 1: Reduced Fuel Loads and Fire Intensity

Indicators:

- 20–40 acres of roadside vegetation treated
- Documented reductions in ladder fuels and overgrown brush
- Before/after photographs and GIS maps
- Fire agency verification of improved clearance

Outcome 2: Increased Community Participation in Wildfire Mitigation

Indicators:

- Participation from 150–300 households
- 50–100 tons of green waste processed
- Resident surveys showing increased understanding of defensible space
- Volunteer labor logged toward the \$300,000 match

Outcome 3: Improved Evacuation Route Safety

Indicators:

- Widened roadside clearance zones
- Fire department confirmation of evacuation-route improvements
- Updated maps incorporated into the CWPP

Outcome 4: Updated and Adopted CWPP

Indicators:

- Completion of a CWPP aligned with state and federal standards
- Stakeholder and fire-agency approval

- Identification of at least five new priority projects
- Completion of community workshops and surveys

Outcome 5: Strengthened Long-Term Community Resilience

Indicators:

- Increased resident readiness
- Clear mitigation roadmap for future funding
- Strengthened interagency partnerships

Sustainability

6. How will the project be maintained after the grant period is complete?

Describe methods to continue fuels maintenance or education/planning projects after grant funds are spent.

Indicate collaborators and sources of funds used to maintain the project.

The Lost Wages Fire Safe Council (LW-FSC) has developed a long-term strategy to ensure that wildfire mitigation, fuels maintenance, and community education in 123 Fake Community continue well beyond the grant period. The project is designed not only to complete immediate risk-reduction work, but also to establish systems, partnerships, and ongoing funding mechanisms that support sustained resilience.

1. Continued Fuels Maintenance

LW-FSC will incorporate all treated roadside corridors into its recurring maintenance schedule. Volunteers and trained community members will participate in annual or semi-annual vegetation assessments and follow-up clearing. The local Fire Authority will continue to provide guidance on priority areas and support compliance inspections.

2. Ongoing Chipper Days

Chipper days will continue to be offered using a combination of community fundraising, local agency contributions, and partnerships with waste management providers. LW-FSC has a standing volunteer corps committed to assisting with these events, ensuring that defensible-space work remains accessible and affordable for residents.

3. CWPP Implementation and Updates

Following completion of the updated Community Wildfire Protection Plan, LW-FSC will lead implementation of identified priority projects. The Council will pursue additional grant funding, including state and federal wildfire resilience programs, to fund future treatments. The CWPP will be reviewed every 5 years or sooner if significant changes occur in vegetation or wildfire behavior.

4. Collaboration With Local Agencies and Organizations

The Fake County Fire Department will continue to serve as a technical partner, assisting with annual risk assessments, evacuation route reviews, and community preparedness education. Public Works will support roadside access and disposal needs when maintenance work is performed. Local community groups and HOAs will help coordinate volunteer participation.

7. Describe what outreach efforts will be undertaken by the project to engage the broader public in your project.

Describe the types of activities or materials this project will utilize to engage community members, fire jurisdictions and elected officials in the planning process. Indicate website URL or social media handles used by your organization.

Outreach efforts for the project will focus on engaging residents of 123 Fake Community, local fire agencies, and elected officials. LW-FSC will use community meetings, targeted mailers, and door-to-door outreach to encourage participation in chipper days and provide defensible-space guidance. The Council will host CWPP workshops, invite fire agency partners to present fire behavior updates, and share project progress with local decision-makers. Educational materials will include flyers, evacuation-readiness guides, and project maps. Digital outreach will occur through the LW-FSC website (www.lwfsc.org) and social media channels, including Facebook (@LostWagesFSC) and Instagram (@LW_FireSafe). Regular updates, photos, and event announcements will broaden engagement and ensure transparent, inclusive planning.

8. Describe how the project will motivate the community to invest (e.g., effort, funding, etc.) in making itself fire safe after the grant term ends.

Please be specific and realistic. What type of community capacity will be developed to sustain this project in the

long-term? What change do you anticipate will result in the community?

The project is designed to build long-term motivation and capacity within 123 Fake Community by empowering residents, strengthening partnerships, and creating clear pathways for continued investment in wildfire resilience. By engaging residents directly in fuels reduction, chipper days, and CWPP planning, the project fosters a culture of shared responsibility and demonstrates the tangible benefits of coordinated action.

Community motivation will be strengthened through increased awareness of wildfire risk, hands-on participation in defensible-space activities, and a deeper understanding of evacuation needs and local fire behavior. Residents will see immediate improvements in safety and will be more inclined to continue maintaining their properties and supporting community-wide projects.

Long-term community capacity will be developed through a trained volunteer corps, ongoing collaboration with the Fake County Fire Department, and new relationships formed through CWPP workshops and public events. These partnerships will help maintain project momentum and provide ongoing access to expertise and resources.

As a result of the project, 123 Fake Community will experience increased preparedness, stronger social cohesion, and a sustained commitment to mitigation activities. The project creates a foundation for continued investment in fire safety by demonstrating achievable results, reducing barriers to participation, and establishing a clear roadmap for future action.

9. Will your project generate program income? If yes, how will it be used/spent to further the project during the term of the grant? What is the estimated dollar value of program income that will be generated? (Note: General donations are not considered program income).

Program Income is funding that is earned as a result of the project such as selling firewood from trimming trees or defensible space clearing. This income is required to be used to further the objectives of the grant during the grant term.

This project is not expected to generate program income. All vegetation removed during roadside fuels reduction and chipper day activities will be chipped and redistributed on-site or transported to a green-waste processing facility. No biomass, logs, or firewood will be sold as part of this project.

Because all materials will be treated or disposed of rather than marketed, the estimated program income generated is \$0. This ensures full alignment with grant requirements and maintains the focus on hazard reduction, community safety, and defensible-space compliance.

If any incidental usable material were to be produced—such as a small quantity of firewood salvaged during treatment—it would be provided to residents at no cost. No revenue-generating activities will occur throughout the grant period.

Project Location

10. Enter which county or counties in California or Nevada within which your project will take place?

If you are proposing to work in multiple counties, select the county in which the majority of work will be performed. If the work will be divided equally across county lines, then enter more than one county.

Any County, California

11. Enter the latitude of the approximate geographic center of the project area. Your response must be in decimal format to six places (for example: 39.375097). All California Latitudes should always be between 32 and 42.

If the project covers a large area, select a point that best represents the center of the planning area. Please utilize <https://arcg.is/1eKaCm2> to find your Latitude and Longitude. Completing this survey will satisfy question 48.
39.375097

12. Enter the longitude of the approximate geographic center of the project area. Your response must be in decimal format to six places (for example: -122.54454). All California Longitudes should always be between -114 and -124.

If the project covers a large area, select a point that best represents the center of the planning area. Please utilize <https://arcg.is/1eKaCm2> to find your Latitude and Longitude. Completing this survey will satisfy question 48.

13. Is the proposed project area impacted by your project at risk from fire originating on federal land? Or does your project take place on federal land? Your answer to this question will determine your response to the subsequent question.

Contact your local fire agency if you are not sure about your adjacency to federal land. No portion of the project may be on federal land or land leased from the federal government.

- Yes
- No

14. If you answered yes to question 13, indicate which agency (or agencies) own/manage the land, and identify which field office, park, forest, etc. (indicated in parentheses) is nearest to the project area. Contact local agency representatives or utilize the CFSC Application Support Tool (CA Land Ownership tab): <https://arcg.is/0uTH4q>

Please select Not Applicable if you answered "No" to question #13

- USDI: Bureau of Indian Affairs (land/field office)
- Bureau of Land Management (field office)
- Bureau of Reclamation (field office)
- National Park Service (park, monument, or recreational area)
- U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (refuge)
- USDA Forest Service
- Military Installation
- Not Applicable (N/A)

15. How far is the proposed project location from federal lands?

Work is not permitted on federal lands or lands maintained by a federal agency

- 0-3 Miles
- More than 3 Miles
- Work occurs on federal land

16. Enter the District number(s) that apply for the proposed project location.

Enter N/A in the boxes that do not apply. For information on California, Nevada and US Congressional districts go to: <https://arcg.is/0uTH4q>

1	California Congressional District number(s)
N/A	Nevada Congressional District number(s) (District 2 only)
1	California State Senate District number(s)
N/A	Nevada State Senate District number(s) (Districts 3 and 4 only)
1	California State Assembly/House District number(s)
N/A	Nevada State Assembly/House District number(s) (District numbers 26 and 39 only)
3.00	TOTAL

Planning Document Applicability

17. Relate your project to the National "Cohesive Strategy" goals : (A) Resilient Landscapes, (B) Fire Adapted Communities and (C) Safe, Effective, Risk-Based Wildfire Response

National Strategy Summary:

<https://www.forestsandrangelands.gov/documents/strategy/strategy/communications/NationalStrategySummary.pdf>

See additional resources in the library.

The proposed project directly supports all three goals of the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy by improving landscape conditions, strengthening community preparedness, and enhancing firefighter safety within 123 Fake Community.

A. Resilient Landscapes

The project's 20–40 acres of roadside fuels reduction promote healthier and more resilient landscapes by reducing hazardous fuel loads, removing ladder fuels, and mitigating high-intensity fire behavior. These treatments help restore and maintain landscape conditions that can better withstand wildfire.

B. Fire Adapted Communities

Through community chipper days, defensible space education, and the update of the Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP), the project increases resident awareness, participation, and capacity for long-term mitigation. These actions support the development of a community that is better prepared to coexist with wildfire.

C. Safe, Effective, Risk-Based Wildfire Response

Improved roadside clearance enhances access and visibility for emergency responders and strengthens evacuation route safety. Coordination with the local fire authority and updated CWPP risk assessments help ensure wildfire response strategies are based on accurate, current conditions.

Together, these activities advance the Cohesive Strategy's core goals and contribute to a safer, more resilient future for 123 Fake Community.

18. Identify the type of planning document that covers the project area. To find out if the area is covered in an existing Community Wildfire Protection Plan or equivalent plan, contact your local fire protection agency.

In the box below, describe other plans or indicate why no planning document exists (e.g. lack of funding, unaware of need for plan, etc.)

- Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)
- Cal Fire Unit Plan
- DA 2000 Plan
- Other plan, Please explain below:

19. Please provide the exact title of the CWPP or equivalent plan and the contact information for the plan and web address location if the plan is posted online.

Provide name, address and email for the main contact for the plan.

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20. Identify the status of the plan and when the plan was last updated. Indicate whether the project is approved, the date /year of approval and the agency/organization that provided the approval. If the plan is in process, indicate date it was started.

Enter the date and/or year. If the plan has not been updated or revised in more than 5 years, explain the reason(s) for the delay.

The 123 Fake Community Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) is currently outdated and requires a full update. The last completed CWPP was finalized in 2016, with approval provided by the Fake County Fire Department, the Lost Wages Fire Safe Council (LW-FSC), and the Fake County Board of Supervisors.

Since 2016, vegetation conditions, wildfire behavior, and development patterns have changed significantly, and the existing CWPP no longer reflects current risks or operational needs.

The CWPP update proposed through this project formally began in January 2025, when LW-FSC initiated stakeholder outreach and began compiling updated hazard data. The plan is currently in progress and has not yet received final approval.

Final approval of the updated CWPP is expected at project completion and will be issued by:

- Fake County Fire Department
- Lost Wages Fire Safe Council Board of Directors
- Fake County Board of Supervisors

21. What is the priority of the proposed project in the plan identified in the questions above, and on what page of the plan is it addressed?

Please indicate the plan type (CWPP, DMA 2000, or other), priority in plan, and page number where the project is addressed.

Plan Type: Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)

The proposed project directly corresponds to a High-Priority Fuels Reduction Project identified in the 123 Fake Community CWPP. Specifically, the roadside vegetation management and evacuation-route improvements are listed under the plan's highest priority recommendations.

Priority in Plan:

- High-Priority Fuels Reduction Project
- High-Priority Evacuation Route Safety Improvement
- High-Priority Community Defensible Space Support Program

Page Numbers:

- Priority Fuels Reduction Projects: Page 18
- Evacuation Route Safety Improvements: Page 24

The project aligns with the CWPP's top recommendations by addressing hazardous roadside fuels, improving ingress/egress safety, and enhancing community wildfire preparedness through increased defensible-space participation.

22. Does the CWPP or equivalent plan define the boundaries of the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI)?

If YES, indicate if the project is located in this WUI. If NO, indicate if the project is located in an official Cal Fire Hazard Severity Zone in the next question.

Yes, the 123 Fake Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) defines the boundaries of the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI). The WUI area includes the full community footprint, residential neighborhoods, and all primary access and evacuation roads.

The proposed project area is focused on roadside fuels reduction and community defensible space support is located entirely within this designated WUI boundary. As a result, the project qualifies as a WUI-based mitigation activity under the CWPP's highest priority tier.

Because the CWPP already establishes WUI boundaries and the project sits fully within them, reference to Cal Fire Hazard Severity Zones is not required for this determination.

23. Identify the Fire Hazard Severity Zone (FHSZ) of the project area. At least 50% of the project area must be in the selected zone.

Check the appropriate box(es). Please utilize the CFSC Application Support to find FHSZ: <https://arcg.is/0uTH4q>

- Very High Severity Zone
- High Severity Zone
- Moderate Severity Zone

24. Is the Project associated with a community that is listed as a 'Community at Risk?'

Please identify the 'Communities at Risk' using the Application Support Tool (CAR tab): <https://arcg.is/0uTH4q>

- Yes
- No

25. If yes, please list up to 3 of the closest 'Communities at Risk' that are within the boundaries, or within 3 miles, of the project area.

Community 1, Community 2, Community 3

26. Priority Populations: Is the project associated with a disadvantaged or low-income community that is listed as a Community at Risk?

Please utilize the CFSC Application Support Tool (CA Climate Investment Priority Tab): <https://arcg.is/0uTH4q>

- Yes
- No

27. If you answered YES to question 26, please select all that apply:

- Disadvantaged
- Low Income
- Buffer Zone
- N/A

28. List communities, other than 'Communities at Risk,' that are within the boundaries, or within 3 miles, of the project area.

N/A

29. List Firewise Communities that are within the boundaries, or within 3 miles, of the project area.

Enter the names of official Firewise Communities in, or within 3 miles of, the project area. Please utilize the CFSC Application Support Tool (Firewise Communities Tab): <https://arcg.is/0uTH4q>

Community 1, Community 2, Community 3

Project Impacts

30. List communities that will be directly affected by the project's Prevention and Education Programs

Enter the names of communities, including Communities at Risk and Firewise Communities. If the project does not include education, answer N/A

Community 1, Community 2, Community 3

31. List communities that will be directly affected by the project's Hazardous Fuel Reduction Programs

Enter the names of communities, including Communities at Risk and Firewise Communities. If project does not include fuel reduction, answer N/A

Community 1, Community 2, Community 3

32. List communities that will be directly affected by the project's fire management plans, risk assessments, or equivalents.

Enter the names of communities, including 'Communities at Risk' and Firewise Communities. If project doesn't include planning, answer N/A

Community 1, Community 2, Community 3

33. Enter the number of people who will be contacted by the project's deliverables. Consider the number of people who will be contacted about the project through meetings, educational mailings, email lists, homeowner participation, etc.

Research the population of the project area and the outreach planned for the project. Keep track of how you calculated this figure. If funded, applicant will report this number quarterly in the progress report. CFSC is required to report this data.

5600

34. Estimate how many people will be employed with this project. Please include number of compensated employees and contractors.

Include estimates for both applicant and fiscal sponsor, if applicable

Total 8-10

Compensated employees:2

Project Manager

Community Outreach & Operations Coordinator

Contractors: 6-8

4-6 Vegetation Management Cred Members

1 CWPP Consultant

1 Crew Supervisor

35. Identify the Fire Regime for your project area.

Check the appropriate box(es). Identify the Fire Regime from the LANDFIRE tab: <https://arcg.is/0uTH4q>

- Fire Regime I
- Fire Regime II
- Fire Regime III
- Fire Regime IV
- Fire Regime V

Fuels Treatment

36. Will the proposed project include fuels treatment?

Will the project contain any of the following: soil disturbance, vegetation treatments or modifications such as chipping, thinning, grazing, and/or mastication? REMINDER: Burning activities are not allowed in this program.

- Yes
- No

37. Enter the total acreage of the project's footprint and who owns or maintains the land where fuels activities are occurring.

The footprint of the project is the area where planned treatment(s) will occur on the ground. It does not include access and egress of the project.

The total project footprint for fuels-reduction activities is estimated at 20–40 acres. This acreage represents only the specific roadside corridors and treatment areas where vegetation removal, thinning, and chipping will occur. It does not include project access or egress routes.

Land Ownership and Maintenance Responsibility:

- Fake County Public Works Department: Approximately 18–30 acres of county-maintained roadside rights-of-way.
- 123 Fake Community HOA: Approximately 2–5 acres of HOA-managed roadside easements and common-area vegetation corridors.
- Participating Private Parcels: Approximately 1–5 acres of roadside-edge vegetation on properties where residents have opted into treatment.

All required permissions will be obtained prior to implementation. Each owner or agency will maintain its respective land following project completion.

38. How many fuels treatment projects will be completed with this grant? Enter the number of fuels treatment projects and describe how this estimate was calculated.

Projects should be counted by a reasonable method based on diverse types of projects included in this grant application. The method used should be described in detail in your answer.

1 Project of 20-40 Acres

39. Indicate any biological, environmental or cultural reviews or assessments that have been completed for the project area.

If yes, indicate which statute or other environmental regulation were the studies/assessments completed for:

- California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
- Endangered Species Act (ESA)
- California Endangered Species Act (CESA)
- Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA)
- National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA)
- None or N/A
- For when and by whom, please explain:

40. What is the percent of dominant vegetation type at treatment site?

Enter the percent of the dominant type of vegetation in the project area. If you select "other," be specific about the type of vegetation in question 42.

% Chaparral

0	% Open or closed canopy mixed conifer forest
0	% Ponderosa
0	% Douglas Fir
0	% Pine Plantation
0	% Oak Woodland
0	% Other, please specify in question 42
100.00	TOTAL

41. Which vegetation is to be treated/modified?

Select the type of vegetation to be treated. Please Select all that apply:

- Chaparral
- Open or closed canopy mixed conifer forest
- Ponderosa
- Douglas Fir
- Pine Plantation
- Oak Woodland
- Other, please specify in question 42

42. Describe the treatment to be implemented and the pre and post treatment site.

Treatment to Be Implemented:

The project will implement roadside vegetation management and hazard-fuel reduction treatments including mechanical brushing and thinning, hand pruning in sensitive areas, limbing up trees to reduce ladder fuels, removal of dead and down woody debris, chipping of all removed vegetation, and selective thinning of small-diameter trees near evacuation corridors. These treatments follow best practices for safe and effective wildfire mitigation.

Pre-Treatment Site Conditions:

Before treatment, the site exhibits dense overgrown chaparral, understory brush, and woody vegetation encroaching into roads; significant ladder fuels including saplings and low branches; high fuel continuity along evacuation routes; accumulated dead and down material; narrow or obstructed road shoulders; and abundant flashy grasses that increase ignition potential.

Post-Treatment Site Conditions:

Following treatment, the area will show reduced fuel loads, removal of dense brush and grasses, significantly decreased ladder-fuel presence through limbing and thinning, improved canopy spacing, cleared road margins that enhance emergency access and evacuation safety, discontinuous fuel beds that slow fire spread, and fully chipped or removed vegetation with no debris piles remaining.

These post-treatment conditions support improved wildfire resilience and safer wildfire response conditions throughout 123 Fake Community.

43. Describe any equipment to be used, the personnel/vendor to be used and how equipment will be used.

Equipment to Be Used:

- Mechanical brush cutters for removing dense chaparral and overgrown roadside vegetation.
- Chainsaws and pole saws for limbing trees and removing small-diameter stems.
- Tow-behind brush chippers (12–18 inch capacity) for processing vegetation during fuels reduction and chipper days.
- Hand tools such as loppers, McLeods, rakes, and pruning saws for precision work.
- Utility trailers and trucks for the transport of chips, tools, and equipment.

Personnel and Vendors:

- Vegetation-management contractor crew (4–6 personnel): Responsible for brushing, thinning, cutting, limbing, and debris removal.
- Chipper Day operations team (2–3 personnel): LW-FSC staff and trained contract operators who manage chipping equipment and material flow.

- Crew supervisor/safety officer: Ensures safety compliance, oversees operations, and performs quality reviews.
- LW-FSC staff (Project Manager and Coordinator): Oversee scheduling, outreach, contractor coordination, and reporting.

How Equipment Will Be Used:

- Mechanical brush cutters and pole saws will thin roadside vegetation and remove ladder fuels.
- Chainsaws will be used for limbing up trees, sapling removal, and clearing overhanging hazards.
- Chippers will process all cut vegetation either on-site or at community drop-off areas.
- Hand tools will be used in areas where machinery cannot operate safely.
- Trucks and trailers will transport equipment, remove chipped material, and support movement between treatment segments.

44. Provide the number of homes that will be treated by this project, the average cost of treatment per home, and the total value of the homes protected.

(Fuels treatment projects only) For non fuel treatment projects enter "NA"

Estimated Homes Treated:225

Average cost: \$155,000/225 = \$688.00

Value of Homes protected= 225* 850,000 = \$191,250,000

45. Will the project generate biomass, small logs of merchantable volume or a marketable product? (Biomass is any plant material removed from the site.)

Enter the estimated volume of biomass produced in the box next to the appropriate type of biomass. Enter N/A in each box that does not apply. For more detailed instructions, see the Calculating Biomass Volume resource in the Library tab.

<input type="text" value="0"/>	Saw logs (cubic board ft)
<input type="text" value="0"/>	Chips (green ton)
<input type="text" value="0"/>	Post and poles (lineal ft.)
<input type="text" value="0"/>	Fuel wood (fuel for cogeneration plant)
<input type="text" value="0"/>	Firewood (cords)
<input type="text" value="0"/>	Other, please explain:
<input type="text" value="0.00"/>	TOTAL

46. Will the biomass product be sold/commercialized?

- Yes
- No

47. If yes, please describe how the biomass product will be used.

If it will not be used, type "N/A".

N/A

Map Verification

48. (All projects) Please complete the map survey that accompanies this application and confirm with the statement "map submitted" in the field below.

To access the map survey, paste this link into your browser: <https://arcg.is/1eKaCm2>. If you completed this survey and submitted while completing questions 11 and 12, please do not re-submit.

map submitted

50. Work Plan

Task Number	Sequential Task/Activity	Timeframe	Responsible Party	Expected Outcome/Result
1	Finalize Project Prescriptions (Complete treatment prescriptions, maps, access plans, and environmental compliance requirements)	1–2 months	LW-FSC Project Manager; Vegetation-Management Contractor; Fire Department Technical Advisor	Completed treatment prescriptions, maps, and operational plans approved for implementation.
2	Conduct Pre-Project Outreach & Mobilization	1 months	LW-FSC Outreach Coordinator; Contractor Supervisor	Residents notified, access confirmed, safety plans finalized, and project schedule communicated community-wide.
3	Implement Roadside Fuels Reduction Treatments	3-6 months	Vegetation-Management Contractor Crew; Crew Supervisor; LW-FSC Project Manager	20–40 acres of roadside vegetation treated; reduced fuels, improved evacuation routes, and enhanced emergency responder access.
4	Conduct Community Chipper Days & Support Parcel-Level Defensible Space	4 months	LW-FSC Outreach Coordinator; Chipper Operations Team; Volunteers	150–300 households supported; significant reduction of hazardous fuels on private parcels; increased defensible space compliance.
5	CWPP Update	8 months	CWPP Planning Consultant; LW-FSC Project Manager; Fire Department Reviewer	Updated CWPP (80% draft)
6	Complete CWPP Update, Reporting & Project Closeout	3 months	CWPP Planning Consultant; LW-FSC Project Manager; Fire Department Reviewer	Updated CWPP (draft and final), final project report, maps, before/after documentation, and formal closeout submitted.
7		months		
8		months		
9		months		
10		months		
Total		16 months		

51. Project Deliverables

Project Deliverables	Federal Quantity Projected	Federal Cost Projected	Match Quantity Projected	Match Cost Projected
COMMUNITY RISK ASSESSMENT WILDFIRE PLANING				
Community Risk Assessment		\$		\$
Community Wildfire Protection Plan	1	\$ 20,000	0	\$ 5,000
Fire Management Plan		\$		\$
Planning Subtotal	1	\$ 20,000	0	\$ 5,000
	1	\$ 20,000	0	\$ 5,000

INFORMATION/EDUCATION

Outreach/Education Programs		\$		\$
Education/Information Products		\$		\$
Information/Education Subtotal	0	\$ 0	0	\$ 0
	0	\$ 0	0	\$ 0

FUELS TREATMENT ACRES

Preparation for Treatment		\$		\$
Preparation for Treatment Subtotal	0	\$ 0	0	\$ 0

MECHANICAL TREATMENT ACRES

...Biomass removal		\$		\$
...Chipping	30	\$ 180,000	40	\$ 295,000
...Crushing		\$		\$
...Hand pile		\$		\$
...Seeding		\$		\$
...Lop and scatter		\$		\$
...Machine pile		\$		\$
...Mastication/Mowing		\$		\$
...Thinning	40	\$	60	\$
...Thinning - Tree felling and removal		\$		\$
Mechanical Treatment Subtotal	70	\$ 180,000	100	\$ 295,000

PRESCRIBED FIRE ACRES (NOT ELIGIBLE)

...Broadcast burn (NOT ELIGIBLE)		\$		\$
...Fire use (NOT ELIGIBLE)		\$		\$
...Hand pile burn (NOT ELIGIBLE)		\$		\$
...Jackpot burn (NOT ELIGIBLE)		\$		\$
...Machine pile burn (NOT ELIGIBLE)		\$		\$
Prescribed Fire Subtotal	0	\$ 0	0	\$ 0

OTHER TREATMENT ACRES

...Chemical		\$		\$
...Biological		\$		\$
...Browsing		\$		\$
Other Treatment Subtotal	0	\$ 0	0	\$ 0
Fuels Treatment Subtotal	70	\$ 180,000	100	\$ 295,000

Mechanized Treatment with By-Products Utilized		\$		\$
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Total	71	\$ 200,000	100	\$ 300,000
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52. Budget Detail

Cost Categories	Federal – Grant Applicant Funds	Other Partners	Total Budget Narrative
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a. PERSONNEL

Project Manager	\$ 30,000	\$	\$ \$ 30,000	Project Manager (0.30 FTE) — oversees contractors, invoicing, reporting (estimated 600 hrs x \$50/hr = \$30,000)
Outreach & Operations Coordinator	\$ 10,000	\$	\$ \$ 10,000	Outreach & Operations Coordinator (0.20 FTE) — leads community engagement and chipper day logistics (estimated 400 hrs x \$25/hr = \$10,000)
LW-FSC Staff	\$ \$ 45,000	\$	\$ \$ 45,000	LW-FSC staff time (Grant Management, Admin Support, documentation) 900 hrs X 50\$/hr = 45000
	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0
	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0
Personnel Total	\$ 40,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 0	\$ 85,000

b. FRINGE BENEFITS

20% Flat rate of Salaries	\$ 8,000	\$ 9,000	\$ \$ 17,000	Grant-funded personnel (\$40,000 x 20%) = \$8,000 Match personnel (\$45,000 x 20%) = \$9,000
	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0
	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0
	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0
	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0
Fringe Benefits Total	\$ 8,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 0	\$ 17,000

c. TRAVEL

Site Visits (Miles)	\$ 1,005	\$	\$ \$ 1,005	Estimated 1,386 miles x \$0.725/mile IRS standard = \$1,005
Stakeholder meetings	\$ 995	\$	\$ \$ 995	Estimated 1,372 Miles x \$0.725/mile IRS standard = \$995
	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0
	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0
Travel Total	\$ 2,000	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 2,000

**d. EQUIPMENT
(Items >\$10,000/unit – see guidelines)**

	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0
	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0
	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0
Equipment Total	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

e. SUPPLIES

Safety Equipment and fuels	\$ 4,000	\$	\$ \$ 4,000	Fuel and maintenance for chipper, chainsaw PPE, Cones, Signage, first aid kits.
Donated Materials	\$ \$ 1,000	\$	\$ \$ 1,000	snacks/water for volunteers,

					printing donated by local partners
	\$ 1,000	\$	\$	\$ 1,000	Outreach material printing.
	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0	
	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0	
Supplies Total	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 0	\$ 6,000	
f. CONTRACTUAL					
Vegetation Management Contractor	\$ 120,000	\$	\$	\$ 120,000	Crew of 4–6 for 20–40 acres Estimated \$3,500 per crew day x ~30–35 days = \$120,000
CWPP Planning Consultant	\$ 15,000	\$	\$	\$ 15,000	Mapping, hazard analysis, community meetings = \$15,000
	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0	
	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0	
	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0	
	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0	
	\$	\$	\$	\$ 0	
Contractual Total	\$ 135,000	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 135,000	
g. OTHER					
Volunteer labor during chipper days	\$	\$	\$ 101,750	\$ 101,750	\$ 294 volunteers x 10 hours x \$34.50/hr (FEMA volunteer rate) = \$101,750
Private property fuels work by residents	\$	\$	\$ 31,050	\$ 31,050	150 homes x 6 hrs/home x \$34.50/hr = \$31,050
County Public Works support	\$	\$	\$ 92,200	\$ 92,200	1844 hrs X \$50/hr = \$92,200
Donated Venue Space	\$	\$	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	Venue use 4 times at \$5000 per use
Other Total	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 245,000	\$ 245,000	
h. Total Direct Costs					
	\$ 190,000	\$ 55,000	\$ 245,000	\$ 490,000	
i. Indirect Costs-see instructions above	\$ 10,000.00	\$	\$	\$ 10,000	Charging less that De Minimis. 8.3% of MTDC. MTDC was 120,000.00
Total	\$ 200,000	\$ 55,000	\$ 245,000	\$ 500,000	

53. Match Amount by ALL Organizations

Name of Match Contributor (Organization, agency, or person)	Cost Categories	Type of Match	Amount (\$)
LW- FSC	salaries	in kind	\$ 45,000
Community Volunteers	Other	volunteer	\$ 101,750
Participating Homewoners	Other	Volunteer	\$ 31,050
Fake County Public Works	Other	In Kind	\$ 92,200
Fake County Fire	Other	Donation/	\$ 30,000

	Venue
6	\$
7	\$
8	\$
Total	\$ 300,000

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Documents Requested *	Required?	Attached Documents *
[At Application] Letters of Commitment: Submit letters of commitment (LOC) from all organizations providing matching contribution to the project, including the applicant and fiscal sponsor (if applicable). download template	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>1</u>
[At Application] Letters of Commitment Cover Letter download template	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>2</u>
[At Application] Fiscal Sponsor Agreement Letter (If applicable)		
[At Application] Policy Certification download template	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>3</u>
[At Application] Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (NICRA) Or de minimis calculation worksheet showing the application of the MTDC- Please upload NICRA if you are charging an indirect rate other than the de minimis 15% rate. download template	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>4</u>
[At Application] IRS Determination Letter (Required for nonprofits)		
[At Application] Current Board of Directors roster with contact information for each person (i.e., name, phone, email, and mailing address) (if applicable)		
[At Application] Articles of Incorporation (if applicable)		
Drug-Free Workplace Policy (Use the elements listed in Form AD-1049 if instruction is needed)		
Time Sheet Template		
Non-applicable memo on county letterhead (County applicant)		
Environmental Compliance Form (Fuel Treatment Projects Only)		

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