

COUNTY OF SISKIYOU

Board of Supervisors

1312 Fairlane Rd, Suite 1 Yreka, California 96097 www.co.siskiyou.ca.us (530) 842-8005 FAX (530) 842-8013

Toll Free: 1-888-854-2000, ext. 8005

January 3, 2024

Chief Matthew Reischman
Deputy Director, Resource Management
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
1416 9th Street
P.O. Box 944246
Sacramento, CA 94244-2460

Subject: Support - Mountain Fire Reforestation Grant

Chief Reischman,

The Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors is writing this letter in support of the CAL FIRE Forest Health Post-Fire Reforestation and Regeneration Grant being submitted by FWS Forestry Services.

The goal of the Mountain Fire Reforestation Grant is to regenerate forested stands that were severely burned in the 2022 McKinney and Mountain wildfires in central Siskiyou County. This project, covering approximately 5,588 acres north of the Klamath River and east of Scott Valley will be to conduct site preparation activities and plant a diverse and location appropriate mix of seedlings to regenerate forest stands severely damaged by the fire.

Regenerating the forest will not only improve wildlife habitat, but also promote more resilient forested lands. We support this project and view this as an opportunity to assist our communities in the quest to improve forest and watershed health, along with proactive fuels reduction for forest resilience in Siskiyou County. We highly encourage CALFIRE to fund this project.

Sincerely,

Michaeff N. Kobseff

Chair, Board of Supervisors