

## **COUNTY OF SISKIYOU**

## Board of Supervisors

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California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Attention: Grant Management Unit Wildfire Prevention Grants P.O. Box 944246 Sacramento, CA 94244-2460

Subject: Project Tracking Number: [25-WP-SKU-78806059]

Dear CAL FIRE Review Team,

The Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors would like to express support for the McCloud Fuels Management and Forest Stewardship Fuel Project submitted by the Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District (SVRCD). This project will reduce hazardous fuels to protect the communities and resources of McCloud.

The intent of this project is to treat overstocked forest stands to decrease ladder fuels, improve forest health, and help reduce wildfire intensity and spread along State Route 89 and a strategic interior ridgeline. The treatment area of approximately 405 acres falls entirely in areas identified by CAL FIRE as a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone. Treatments will include mechanical and manual methods. Implementing these treatments will help protect people and their property from catastrophic wildfire.

The project will most directly benefit the community of McCloud, listed as a Community at Risk by the Office of the State Fire Marshal. Additionally, the project focuses on reducing vegetation adjacent to roads to safeguard essential egress and ingress routes along State Route 89 and the Yét Atwam Creek Valley (Squaw Valley Road).

We strongly support this project and urge the grant reviewers to consider the benefits it will have for the protection of people, structures, and communities threatened by wildfire.

Sincerely,

Signed by:

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