



WILDFIRE MITIGATION PROGRAMS & PROJECTS UPDATE

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Fire Safe Council of Siskiyou County (FSCSC)

- Non-profit organization dedicated to reducing wildfire risk, improving community resilience, and promoting fire-safe practices since 2002.
- Works with residents, local agencies, tribes, and partner organizations.
- Implements hazardous fuels reduction projects, provides public education, and supports community wildfire preparedness.

CURRENT GRANTS

Bray II Fuels Reduction Project (22-CA-11050500-028)

- Fuels reduction of 118 acres along Bray WUI

South Old Stage Road Fuels Reduction Project (20-CA-11051400-021)

- Creating fuelbreaks / shaded fuelbreaks for 165 acres, 150 to 300 feet along South Old Stage Road, protecting the community of Mount Shasta

Lake Shastina Chipper Days (23-DG-11051400-021)

- USDA-funded biomass removal project

Siskiyou County / Weed Area CWPP (5GG23122)

- Wildfire planning and CWPP updates for multiple communities



CURRENT GRANTS

Community Wildfire Defense Grant (CWDG) (23-DG-11052012-452)

- USDA-funded program creating defensible space for 500+ homes and 300+ acres of roadside fuels reduction

County Coordinator (CFSC 25–26, Grant #498945)

- Capacity-building and regional coordination funded by California Fire Safe Council

Cantara Fuels Reduction Project (25-CA-11051400-008)

- 199 acres of fuels reduction, protection of Mount Shasta Community

North Coast Regional Partnership (NCRP)

- Capacity-building and coordination grant



RECENTLY COMPLETED PROJECTS

2026

Lake Shastina Fuels Reduction Project (5GG21237)

- 115 acres, 200 feet on either side of the road near Jackson Ranch, Dwinnell, Ordway Ranch, and Quarry.
- Reduced fuels for 57 acres providing ingress and egress.

I5 Mount Shasta Fuels Reduction Project (5GA21106)

- Fuels reduction project approximately 8.5 miles and 296 acres along I-5 and on Caltrans' right-of-way.

Dunsmuir Fuels Reduction Project (5GG21236)

- Approximately 690 acres in the community of Dunsmuir received environmental compliance, with a subset of that area (183) acres, receiving fuels reduction.

LAKE SHASTINA



Before



After

I5 MOUNT SHASTA



Before



After

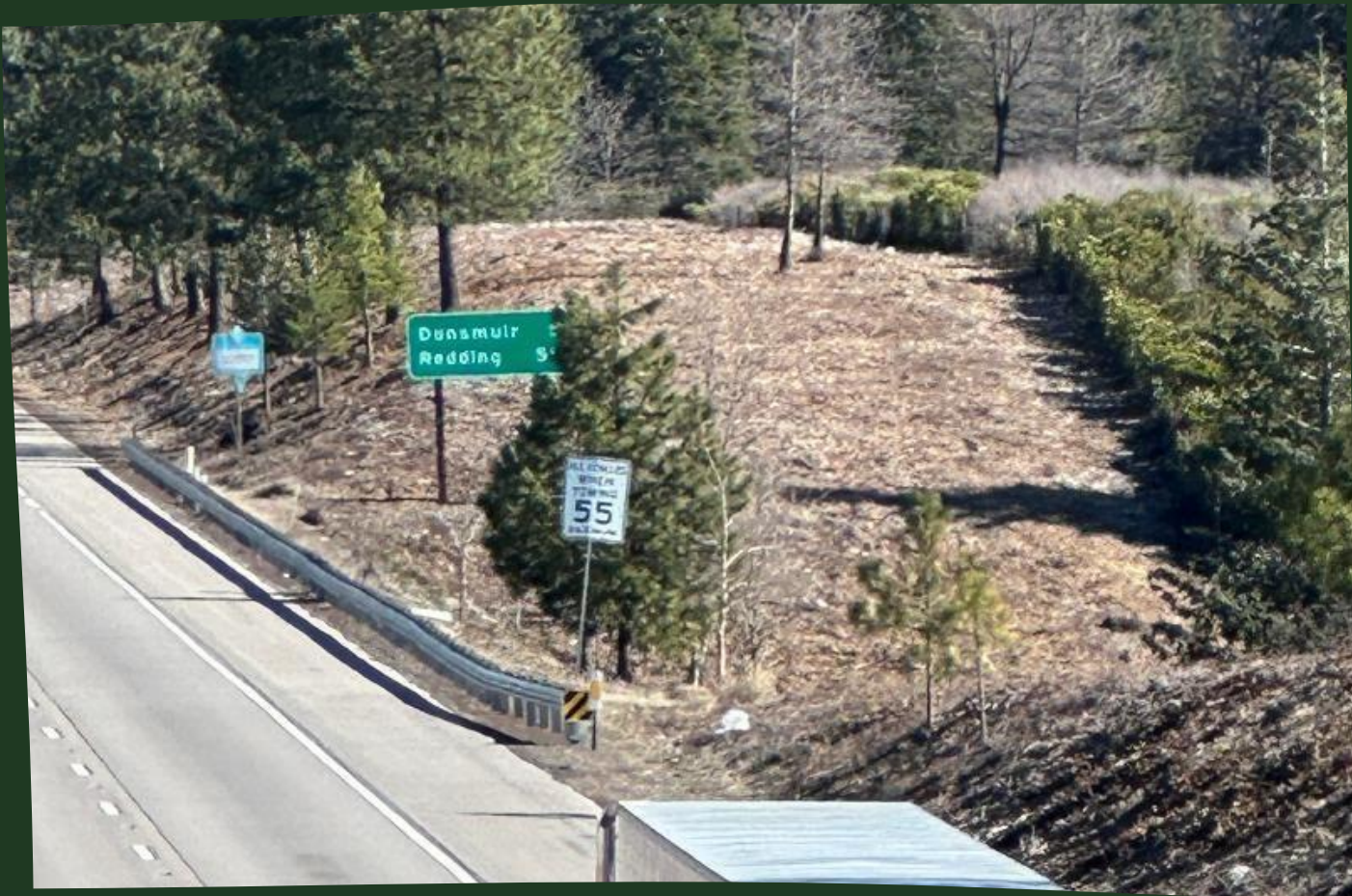
DUNSMUIR



Before



After



The I5 Caltrans Fuel Break, facilitated by the Fire Safe Council of Siskiyou County and Shasta Valley RCD, prevented a wildfire outbreak in that area.

SOUTH OLD STAGE





South Old Stage - Before



South Old Stage - After

COUNTY COORDINATOR OUTREACH EVENTS



Klamath River Flea Market

Siskiyou County Golden Fair, 2026



Orleans Outreach

Siskiyou Area Wildfire Mitigation Coalition (SAWMC)

(The intent of SAWMC is to identify opportunities to work collaboratively in coordinating hazardous fuels mitigation project planning, prioritization, and implementation in Siskiyou County. SAWMC aligns with regional and statewide wildfire resilience initiatives and supports coordination among agencies and community partners)



FSCSC and Partners at a Siskiyou Wildfire Mitigation Group Meeting



McCloud Flee Market



Siskiyou Community Wildfire Workshop, 2024



Ready Raccoon & FSCSC at the Happy Camp Youth Fire Science Education Event, 2024



FSCSC at Klamath River Community Hall Pavilion Dedication, McKinney Fire Recovery Celebration



Dunsmuir Greenwaste Days

Firewise USA® Program Coordination

The Fire Safe Council of Siskiyou County serves as the official Firewise USA® Regional Coordinator for Siskiyou County, as designated by CAL FIRE.

We assist interested neighborhoods in achieving Firewise USA® Recognition and provide ongoing guidance and support to help communities maintain their Firewise USA® status.



Gateway Firewise Community Meeting

COMMUNITY WILDFIRE DEFENSE GRANT



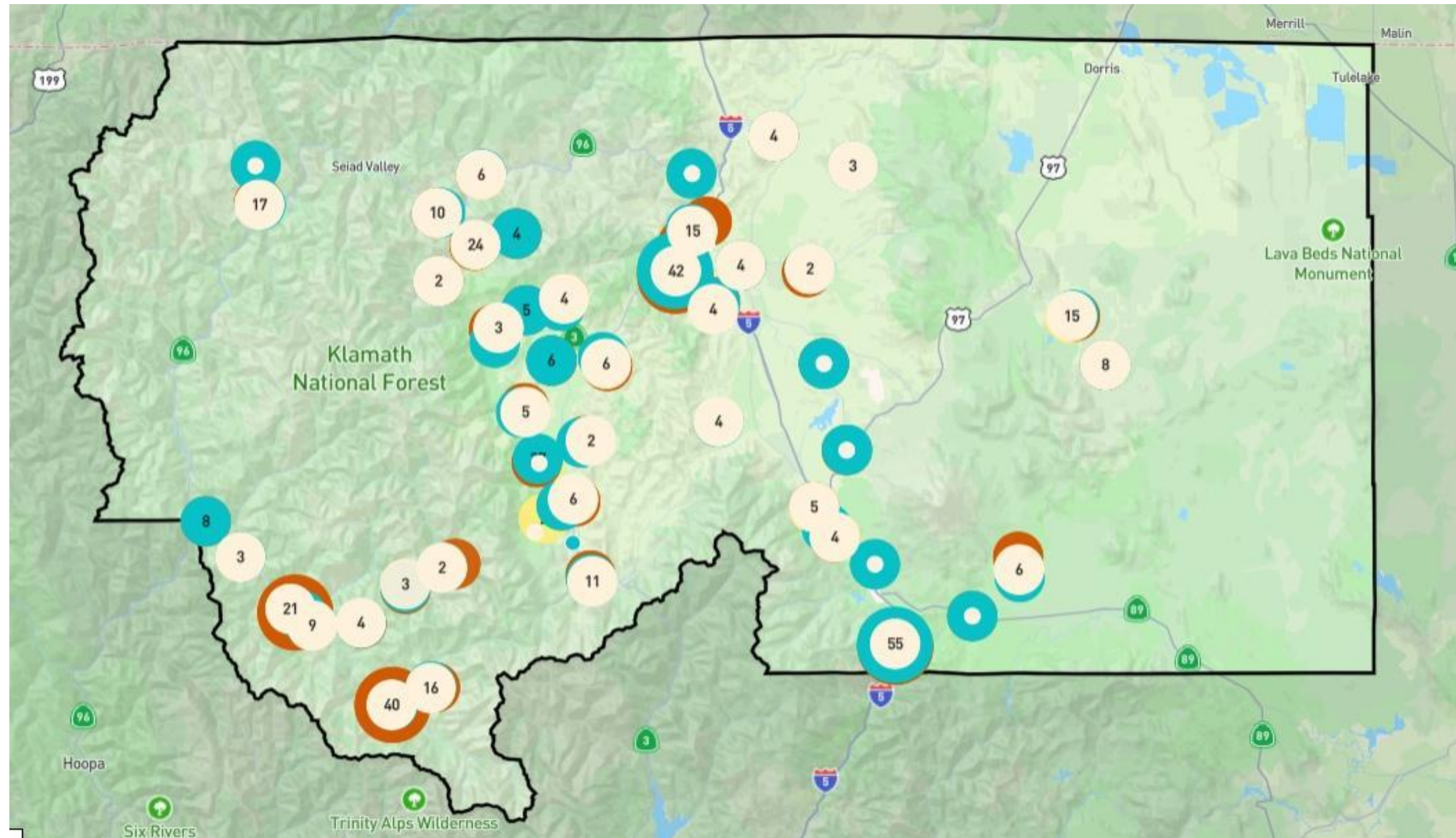
COMMUNITY WILDFIRE DEFENSE GRANT (CWDG)

- Largest funding source.
- Federal grant that supports implementing defensible space for 500 homes and reducing fuels along roadsides from 2024 to 2028.
- CORE (Community Organized Relief Effort) serves as a sub-awardee, helping implement grant-funded activities.
- CORE, a non-profit based out of Los Angeles CA, specializes in community engagement, outreach, education, and project coordination.

PROJECT GOALS & PROGRESS

- **PHASE 1:** Public Outreach and Education
 - **PROGRESS: 6,235 engagements**
- **PHASE 2:** Home Assessments
 - **PROGRESS: Over 250**
- **PHASE 3:** Defensible Space for 500 Homes
 - **PROGRESS: Over 200 implemented**
- **PHASE 4:** 300 Acres of Roadside Fuels Reduction
 - **PROGRESS: Over 35 private acres implemented**
 - **Scoping community evacuation routes.**

SISKIYOU COUNTY



Most communities are in the Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) with a high/very high wildfire risk. Over 60% of Siskiyou County is undeveloped national forest land.

PROJECT
LOCATION

OUTREACH & EDUCATION

As part of our **Community Wildfire Defense Grant (CWDG)** initiatives, we are actively expanding our support network to help residents take proactive steps in protecting their homes.

Support Includes:

- Prepare, educate, and empower low-income and vulnerable communities of Siskiyou County on the threat of wildfires
- Inform the community about fuels reduction, defensible space, and wildfire safety
- Educate the community on FireWise Communities
- Educate the community on disaster preparedness
- Support the sign-up of emergency alerts and Watch Duty



Siskiyou Golden Fair, 2024

HOME ASSESSMENT

Comprehensive home assessments using Fire
Aside are completed to identify:

- Priority Issues for homeowners.
- Resilient features.
- Recommendations for home hardening & defensible space

Homeowners are provided with a digital
report for future use & reference.

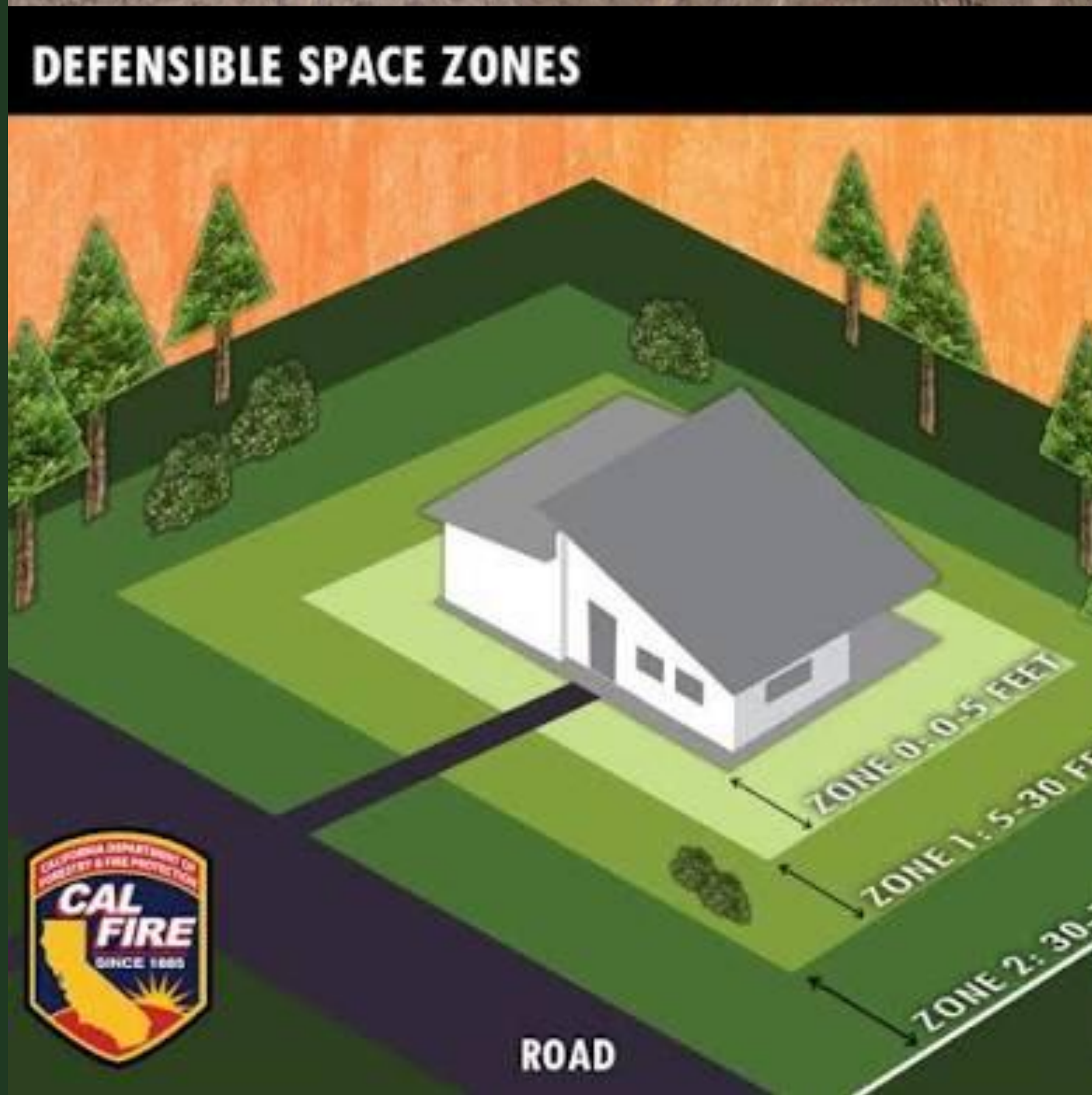


DEFENSIBLE SPACE

Fuels reduction work is implemented in Zones 0-2 to reduce risk of ignition, increase community resiliency, and provide for firefighter safety.

- Zone 0 – 0-5 ft.
- Zone 1 – up to 30 ft.
- Zone 2 – up to 100 ft.

“Words cannot express the gratitude I have... I really want to thank you for providing this service...I was absolutely stunned watching...my yard [be cleared] of fire hazard material so quickly.” - Tennant Resident



DEFENSIBLE SPACE FUELS REDUCTION



BEFORE



AFTER

DEFENSIBLE SPACE FUELS REDUCTION



BEFORE



AFTER

ROADSIDE FUELS REDUCTION

- Fuels reduction work is completed up to 50 ft. on each side of the road to create strategic fuel breaks for safer ingress/egress.
- Identified routes include private drives and we anticipate completing strategic fuel breaks along selected evacuation routes identified in Siskiyou County's Preparedness and Evacuation Plan.
- Target acreage = 300



ROADSIDE INGRESS/EGRESS FUELS REDUCTION



BEFORE



AFTER

ROADSIDE INGRESS/EGRESS FUELS REDUCTION



BEFORE



AFTER

*Thank
You*

