



# California Wildfire Mitigation Program

Status Report  
April 2025



## Participating Communities

Subrecipient	County	Community
North Coast Opportunities	Lake	Kelseyville Riviera
San Diego County Fire Protection District	San Diego	Dulzura, Campo, Potrero
Shasta County Fire Safe Council	Shasta	Whitmore, Oak Run, Lakehead
Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District	Siskiyou	Mount Shasta
El Dorado County Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience	El Dorado	Weber Creek
Tuolumne County Office of Emergency Services	Tuolumne	Ponderosa

## Total Homes

County	Lake	Shasta	Siskiyou	San Diego	El Dorado	Tuolumne
Completed	19	0	0	2	0	0
In Progress	6	3	15	1	0	0

## SB85 (2021) Amendments to Budget Act of 2020 Funding

Subrecipient	Local Match	State Match	Federal Match	Total
Lake	\$0	\$2,218,253.00 (10%)	\$19,964,277 (90%)	\$22,182,530
San Diego	\$0	\$5,882,150 (25%)	\$17,646,450 (75%)	\$23,528,600
Shasta	\$0	\$5,885,534 (10%)	\$17,656,600 (90%)	\$23,542,134
Siskiyou	\$0	\$3,598,000 (100%)	\$0	\$3,598,000
El Dorado	\$1,208,539 (4.86%)	\$1,278,166 (5.14%)	\$22,380,345 (90%)	\$24,867,050
Tuolumne	\$0	\$1,965,520 (10%)	\$17,689,680 (90%)	\$19,655,200
Total	\$1,208,539	\$20,827,623	\$95,337,352	\$117,373,514



## Application Information

County	Total Applications	Applications Pending Submission	Rejected/ Withdrawn	Active Applications
All	892	525	126	241
Lake	98	16	17	65
San Diego	276	129	87	60
Shasta	137	59	17	61
Siskiyou	86	18	6	62
Tuolumne	0	0	0	0
El Dorado	0	0	0	0
Pending County	306	307	0	0

## Homeowner Income Brackets

County	Less than 80%	80% to 120%	Above 120% to 200%	Greater than 200%
All	55	30	26	23
Lake	8	4	3	1
San Diego	15	6	5	1
Shasta	20	12	12	1
Siskiyou	12	8	6	20
Tuolumne	0	0	0	0
El Dorado	0	0	0	0

- All numbers relative to subrecipient reviewed active applications
- Based on Current Area Median Income (AMI) per California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD)
- Cost Share begins after 120% or less AMI (Red line)

Cost Share by AMI bracket

AMI Income Bracket	120% or less	Greater than 120% - 200%	Greater than 200%
Homeowner Cost Share	0%	10%	25%



## Social Vulnerabilities of Occupants

County	No Car	Preferred Language other than English	Has Disability	Age 65 or Older	Age 5 or Under
All	2	1	63	106	25
Lake	1	0	12	17	10
San Diego	0	1	23	27	7
Shasta	1	0	20	31	7
Siskiyou	0	0	8	31	1
Tuolumne	0	0	0	0	0
El Dorado	0	0	0	0	0

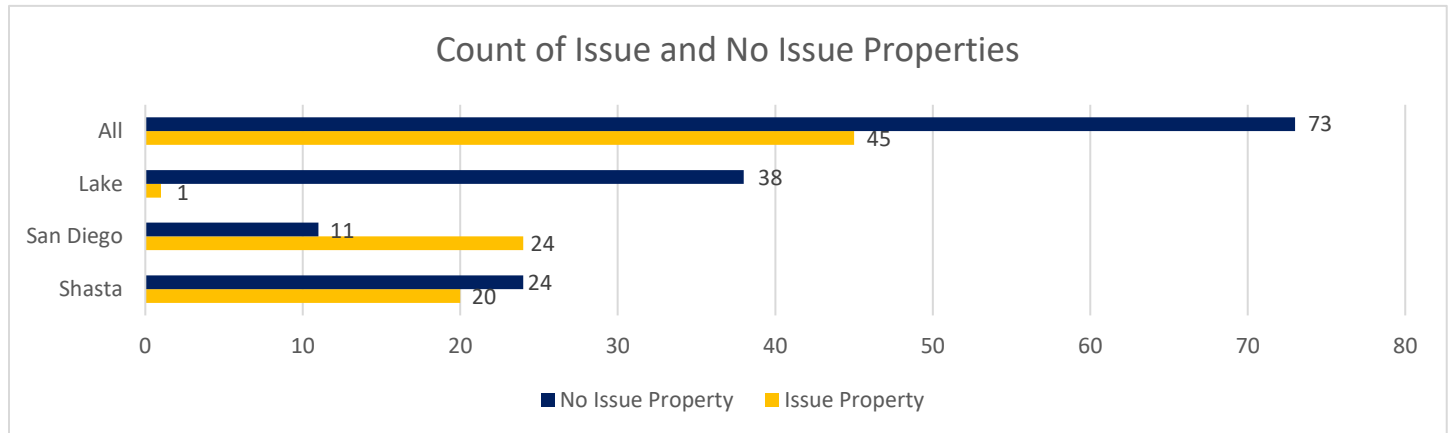
- All numbers relative to subrecipient reviewed active applications
- Optional self-identified responses

## Structure Type

County	Single Family Residence	Multi Family Residence	Manufactured Home
All	181	9	21
Lake	64	0	1
San Diego	42	1	14
Shasta	53	0	8
Siskiyou	60	0	2
Tuolumne	0	0	0
El Dorado	0	0	0

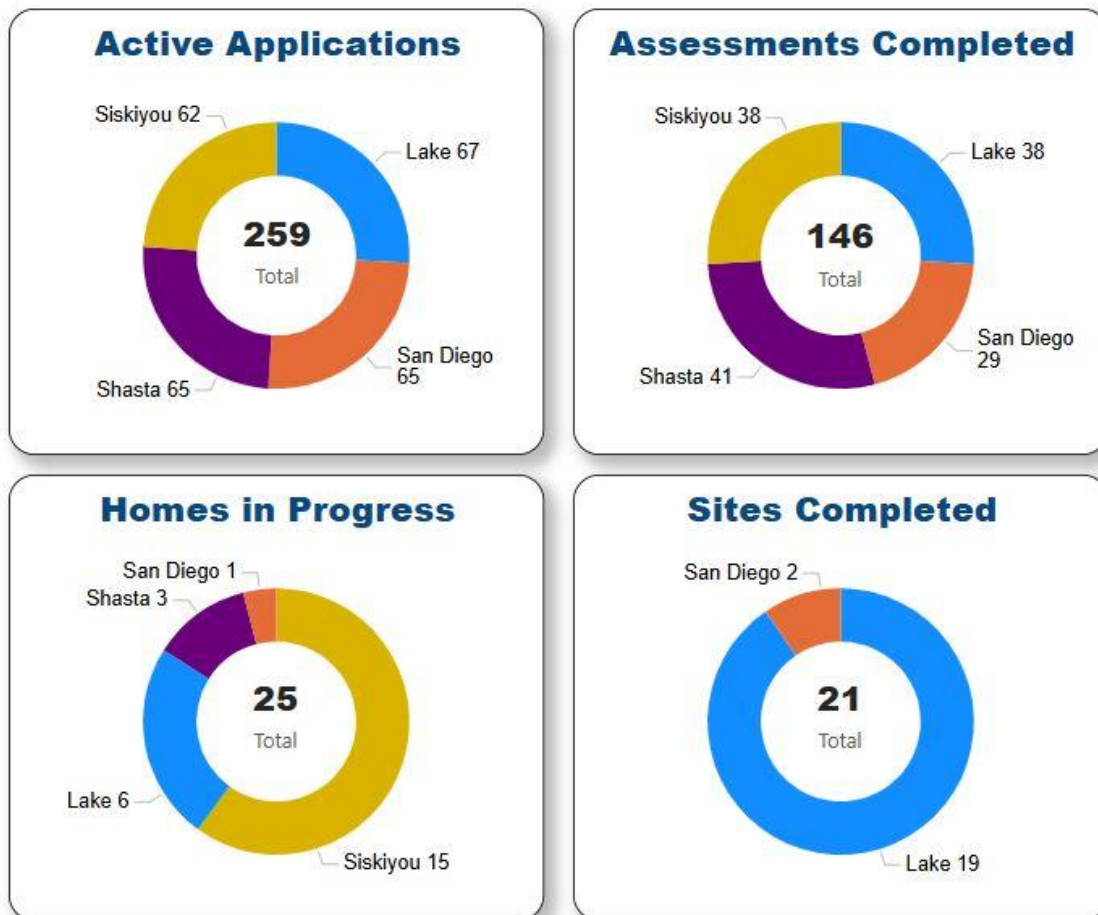
- All numbers relative to subrecipient reviewed active applications

## Issue and No Issue



- All numbers relative to subrecipient reviewed active applications
- Issue and No Issue status does not apply to non-federally funded projects

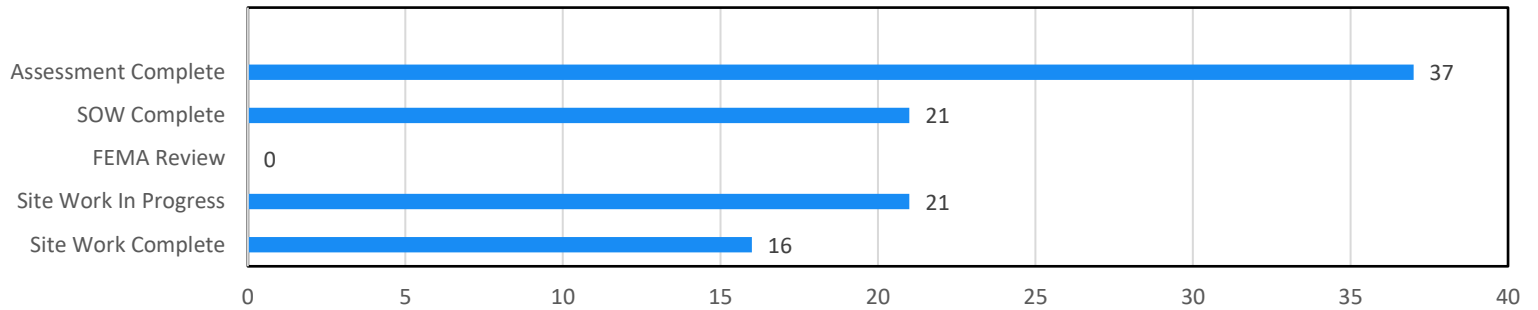
## Application Dashboard



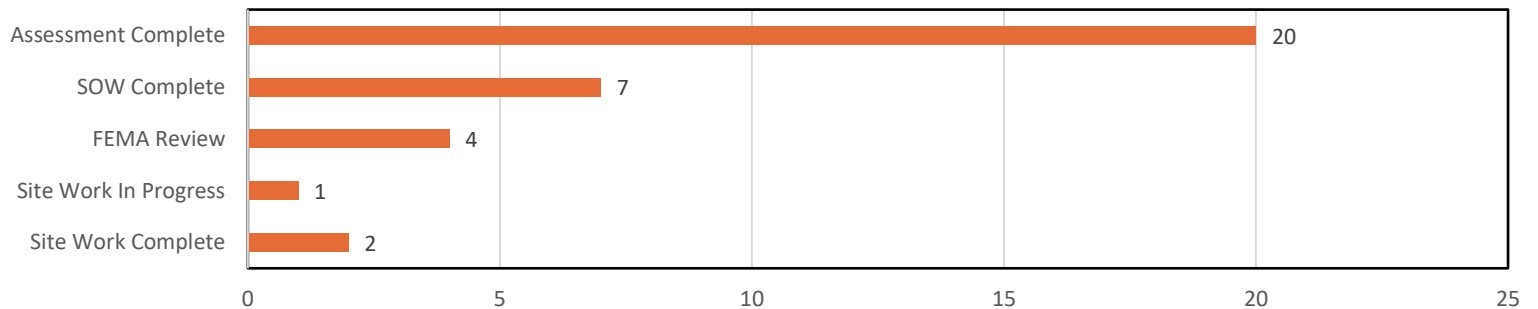
\* Siskiyou County is defensible space only



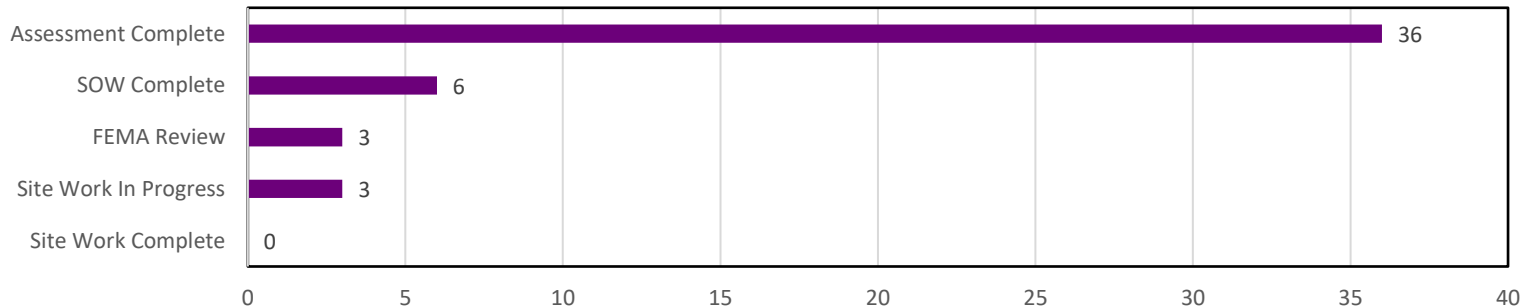
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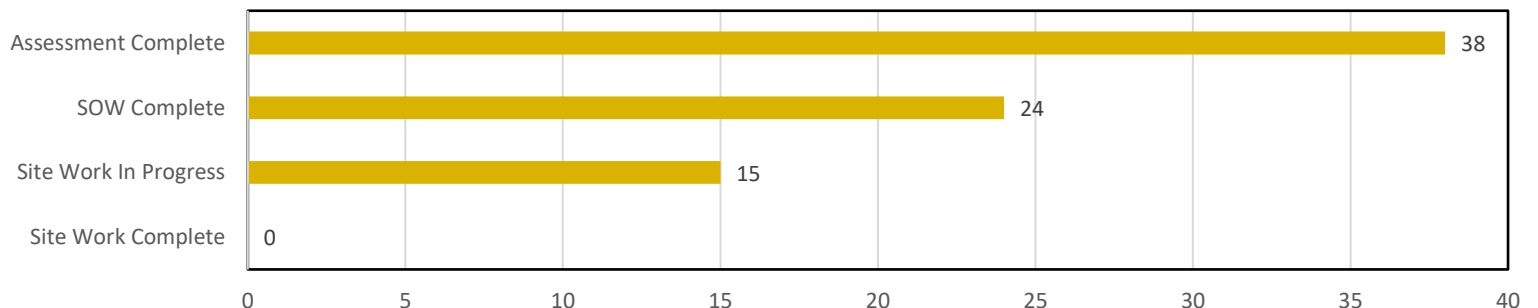
### San Diego County Reviewed Applications by Stage



### Shasta County Reviewed Applications by Stage



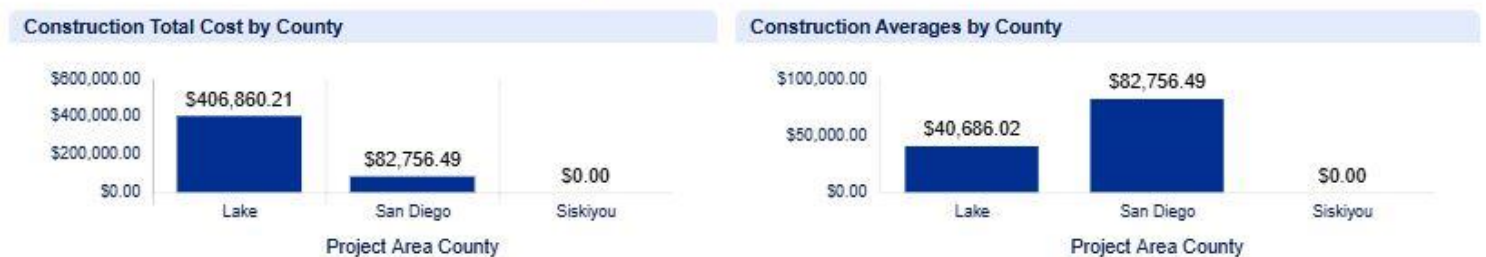
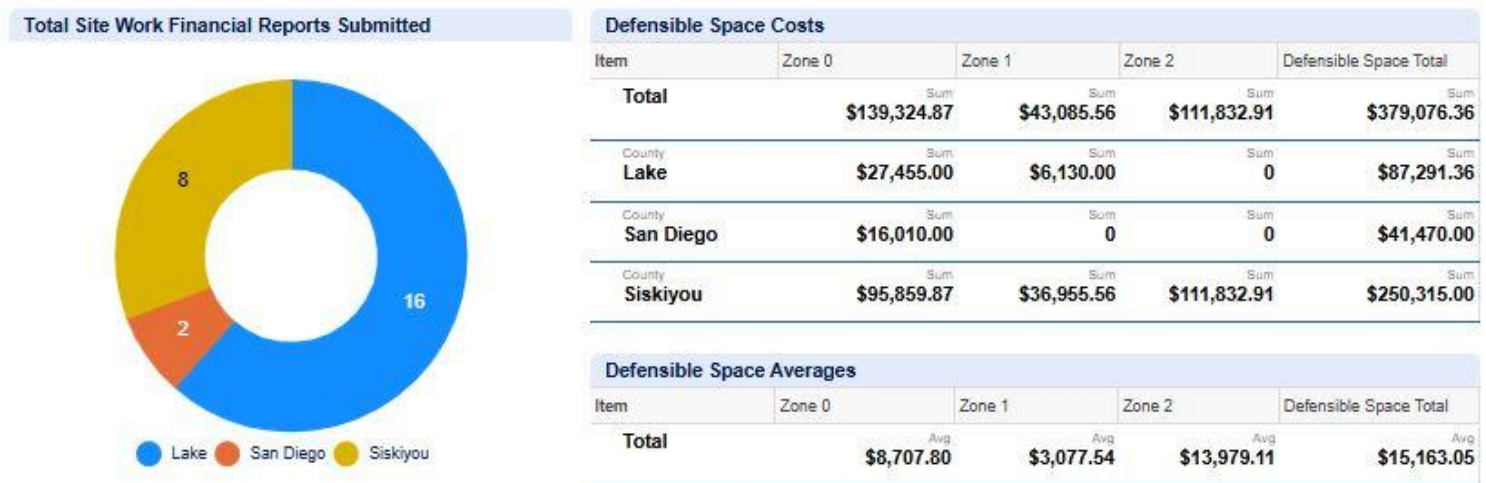
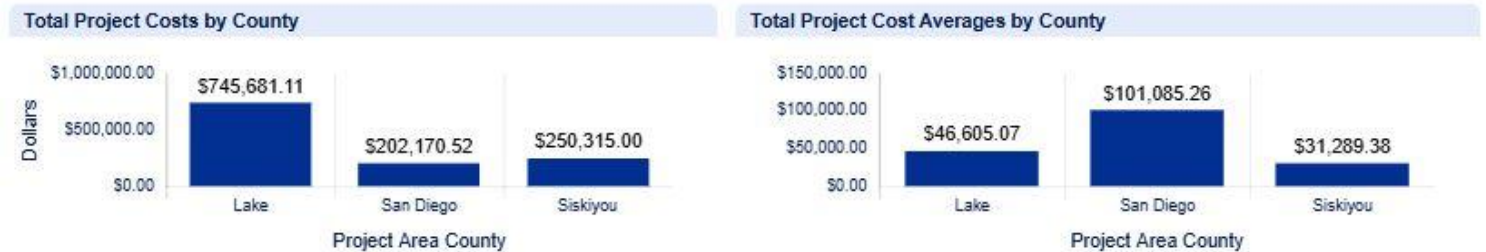
### Siskiyou County Reviewed Applications by Stage





# CWMP Site Work Financial Dashboard

Total Spent		Total Average Expenditure Per Site	
Item	Final Project Cost	Item	Final Project Cost
Total	Sum \$1,198,166.63	Total	Avg \$46,083.33



Siskiyou Defensible Space Total				
Item	Defensible Space Total	Zone 0	Zone 1	Zone 2
Total	Sum \$250,315.00	Sum \$95,859.87	Sum \$36,955.56	Sum \$111,832.91

Siskiyou Defensible Space Average				
Item	Defensible Space Total	Zone 0	Zone 1	Zone 2
Total	Avg \$31,289.38	Avg \$11,982.48	Avg \$4,619.45	Avg \$13,979.11

- All figures reflect site work financial data submitted by subrecipients to date, and may not represent all expenditures incurred by the communities
- Siskiyou project area focused solely on defensible space



## North Coast Opportunities in Lake County:

FEMA Award: 03/17/2023, Revised Award: 08/15/2023, DR 4482-PJ0514

Total Applications	Applications Pending Submission	Rejected/ Withdrawn	Active Applications
98	16	17	65

### EHP:

- 1,250 no issue parcels in the project area

### Staffing and Contractors:

- 31 Contractors on the pre-qualified contractor list
- 17 General contractors
- 14 C-27 landscaping contractors
- 4 Full time home assessors during this time
  - One new assessor has been hired, started March 10, 2025
  - Interviews being held to hire one more
- Hiring a Construction Manager
  - Finalized job description, posting within the month.
- Looking to double staff in 2025

### Assessments and Site Work Progress:

- Homes in Active Construction: 2
  - Homes are across the street from each other
  - Continuing focus on cluster hardening
- Bidding: 2 homes coming up for bid
- SOW Development: 3 Scopes of Work (SOW) in development
- Completed Homes: 19
  - 8 homes with site work completed, but not closed out.

### Program Documents:

- Documents development since 2023
- Finalization of the Master Agreement to Procure Contractors
- Finalization of Tri-Party Agreements
- SOW document and alignment with MQS documents

### Project Activities / Misc. Info:

- Visiting project area to view completed homes on March 20, 2025
- NCO is under contract with new SME for EHP phase II – Completed
  - Required due to NCO contracting requirements.
- NCO sends out a monthly newsletter with program updates to interested parties
  - Over 270 recipients





**San Diego County Fire Protection District in San Diego County:**

FEMA Award: 08/29/2023: DR 4558-PA0800

Total Applications	Applications Pending Submission	Rejected/ Withdrawn	Active Applications
276	129	87	67

**EHP:**

- Development of the Phase II EHP reports; collaborating with SME's and FEMA to develop a reporting standard to implement throughout other communities.
- Biological Assessment approved for all three project areas, Dulzura, Campo, and Potrero, including the expanded areas.

**Staffing and Contractors:**

- 7 County Prevention Specialists (Will be assisting with assessments), 5 County Building Inspectors for (Permitting purposes), 3 San Diego Fire Personnel (Observers)
- 4 contractors on the pre-qualified list
- 3 General Contractors, 1 Manufactured Home (C-47)
- Quarterly RFQ for more Contractors reopen every, February, May, August, and November
- Contract amendments have been executed so all contractors can work on Manufactured Homes

**Assessments and Site Work Progress:**

- No Issue Property in Dulzura
  - One home complete
- No Issue Property in Campo
  - One Home Complete, One home in progress, estimated completion 4/14
  - 12 additional Assessments being conducted
- Working on 3 additional no-issue homes Scopes of work

**Program Documents:**

- Finalization of the Tri-Party Agreement, and Master Agreement to Procure contractors.

**Project Activities / Misc. Info:**

- Pending REC for additional no issue properties
- Pending EHP Phase II for Campo Hills Issue Sites
  - 4 have been submitted to FEMA and are under review
  - 5 more to be submitted next month



**Shasta County Fire Safe Council in Shasta County:**

FEMA Award: 08/28/2023, DR 4569-PA0974

Total Applications	Applications Pending Submission	Rejected/ Withdrawn	Active Applications
137	59	17	61

**EHP:**

- 144 Total in Shasta County project area
  - 47 in Whitmore, 37 in Lakehead, 60 in Oak Run

**Staffing and Contractors:**

- Current Assessor(s) in staff: 7
- 30 General contractors on the pre-qualified list
  - 10 General Contractors
  - 20 Defensible Space Contractors.
- Labor Compliance Contractor has been hired.
- 12 Assessments to be completed by the end of the month.

**Assessments and Site Work Progress:**

- Completed defensible space site work on three homes
- First Home Hardening site work set for March 4<sup>th</sup>
- 11 SOW in progress
  - 3 to be batched together
  - 2 in Oak Run

**Program Documents:**

- Tri-party and Master Agreements have been finalized 07/11/2024.
- Legal team has decided that Prevailing wage must be included in home hardening.

**Project Activities / Misc. Info:**

- Current focus is on D-space until Biological Assessment is complete
- Defensible space Only contracts will not require prevailing wage
- RCD is supporting Bird Surveys
  - A certified biologist from RCD will assist by shadowing the SME during the surveys



**Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District in Siskiyou County:**

Award: 05/01/2023, State Funds Only, CEQA, Defensible Space Only

Total Applications	Applications Pending Submission	Rejected/ Withdrawn	Active Applications
86	18	6	63

**EHP:**

FEMA EHP not applicable. SVRCD leveraged existing California Vegetation Treatment Program (CalVTP) for California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) compliance.

**Staffing and Contractors:**

- 10 Contractors on pre-qualified List
- Current Assessor(s) in staff: 3. More to be trained in upcoming Assessor Training Class in mid-Spring.

**Assessments and Site Work Progress:**

- Work is being finalized on first 8 homes, scheduling walk-throughs
- Eight more projects have been awarded and tree removal has begun
- Scheduling Bid Tour for batch 3, 11 more sites

**Program Documents:**

- Scope of work and Bid Form procedures complete.
- Tri-party Agreement has been finalized.
- SOW and Bid Forms were developed to meet CWMP standards as well as SVRCD existing processes and procedures.
- Contractor Procurement

**Project Activities / Misc. Info:**

- SVRCD goal to complete Defensible Space for approximately 100 parcels. 2-year period of performance.
- Modifying the Salesforce and Assessment App to conduct D-space only assessments.
- Modifying MQS to D-Space only.
- SVRCD has conducted a training for participating contractors to teach the bidding process and explain the MQS.



**Tuolumne County Office of Emergency Services:**

FEMA Award: 6/22/2023 DR 4482-PJ00966

Total Applications	Applications Pending Submission	Rejected/ Withdrawn	Active Applications
0	0	0	0

**EHP Phase I:**

- Biological Assessment has been received
  - Awaiting final signatures and approval
- Phase I EHP vendor has been working on EHP Phase I deliverables since Mid-December
- SMEs have provided initial reports to the county.
- The first draft of the no issue report was provided to FEMA and was returned with requests for changes.
  - The SME has concluded their edits and has submitted the Phase I deliverables to FEMA for review.
- FEMA is expected to take 3-6 months to complete their review and issue the initial Record of Environmental Consideration
- Phase I extension has been accepted
  - Current Period of Performance is set to expire 2/22/2026.
- Plan to submit Notice of Exemption for CEQA
  - Will be handled by their CEQA Compliance Officer

**Staffing and Contractors:**

- One full time Analyst has been hired
  - Looking to hire one more
- RFP for Project Manager has been Posted
  - Set to close on March 26
  - Have secured an office space for the Project Manager near Project Area

**Project Activities / Misc. Info:**

- Will attend a Home and Garden show on April 12-13<sup>th</sup> to provide material about Home Hardening, Defensible Space and the CWMP Project
- Increasing number of calls from homeowners and contractors who are interested in applying for the program
- Plan to train local contractors on home hardening in spring.



**El Dorado County Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience:**

FEMA Award: 6/29/2023, DR 4482-PJ0796

Total Applications	Applications Pending Submission	Rejected/ Withdrawn	Active Applications
0	0	0	0

**EHP Phase I:**

- Phase I Deliverables have been submitted
  - Currently 74 No Issue Properties
- Project Boundary has been finalized and expanded.
  - Includes 7 additional parcels
- SME is same firm as Tuolumne County, should streamline collaboration with FEMA.
- Architectural history and biology results are complete.
- The Phase I work with FEMA for the previous projects (Shasta, Lake, and San Diego) streamlines the FEMA approval process.
  - The new process and lessons learned have assisted to expedite the completion of Phase I

**Staffing and Contractors:**

- Project Lead started July 17, 2024
- RFQ for construction manager has been posted
  - Bid has ended with Seven submissions.
  - Evaluations have been submitted as of March 10, 2025
- Hired two defensible space inspectors who will work as home assessors.

**Project Activities / Misc. Info:**

- Beginning to review sample outreach documents to build additional informational
  - Flyers, brochures and PowerPoint presentations that will be integrated into the Public Outreach Plan.
- Working with both County of El Dorado and the City of Placerville on the MQS's and determining what will require permits and how we can expedite the permitting process for the project.
  - Adding local ordinance information to the document for both County and City defensible space measures.



## **AB179 – FY 2022-2023 \$13,000,000**

### **Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District (SVRCD) in Siskiyou County**

- Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
  - Sub application Submitted June 10, 2024
    - 25% State Match \$5.7 million (Administration 5%)
    - 75% Federal Match \$17.1 million
    - Total funding: \$22.8 million
    - Community Level Program Impact: 400 to 500 homes

### **Riverside County**

- Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
  - Project Proposal:
    - 25% State Match \$6.6 Million (Administration 5%)
    - 75% Federal Match \$19.8 million
    - Total funding: \$26.4 million
    - Community Level Program Impact: 450 to 540 homes

## **Proposition 4**

- \$1.5 billion to be available for wildfire prevention, including reducing community wildfire risk and restoring the health and resilience of forests and landscapes. Of these funds, the bill requires:
- \$135 million be available for a wildfire mitigation grant program: Grants under the Home Hardening Program to retrofit, harden, or create defensible space for homes at high risk of wildfire in order to protect California communities.

**SB-946**, Personal Income Tax Law: Corporation Tax Law: exclusions: wildfire mitigation payments (2023-2024). **Applies to California Wildfire Mitigation Program applicants.**