

# 2026-2027 Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority Work Plan

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# Introduction

## The Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority

### Organizational Overview

The Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority (Marin Wildfire) is a joint powers authority (JPA) comprised of 17 member agencies within Marin County.<sup>1</sup> Marin Wildfire was established when all of its members entered into a JPA agreement and voters approved a parcel tax in March 2020 (Measure C).

Marin Wildfire is funded by Measure C, which took effect in the 2020/21 fiscal year and expires in 2029/30. These funds, estimated to raise over \$20 million annually, are managed and distributed by Marin Wildfire to its member agencies. These agencies and Marin Wildfire utilize these tax revenues to develop and carry out projects to prevent and mitigate wildfire risk in Marin County based on the priorities outlined in the Marin County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) and other guiding documents.

The Marin Wildfire Board of Directors includes representatives from all 17 member agencies:

- Bolinas Fire District
- City of Larkspur
- City of Mill Valley
- City of San Rafael
- County of Marin
- Inverness Public Utility District
- Kentfield Fire Protection District
- Marinwood Community Services District
- Muir Beach Community Services District
- Novato Fire Protection District
- Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District
- Southern Marin Fire Protection District
- Stinson Beach Fire Protection District
- Town of Corte Madera
- Town of Fairfax
- Town of Ross
- Town of San Anselmo

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<sup>1</sup> A joint powers authority (JPA) is an entity working under a joint exercise of powers agreement which allows for two or more public agencies - such as a city, county, fire department, municipal utility, etc. - to cooperatively provide services or exercise shared powers outside each agency's normal jurisdiction.

## Marin Wildfire Mission, Vision, and Goals

Marin Wildfire’s mission is to lead the development of fire-adapted communities through sound scientific, financial, programmatic, and ecological practices, vegetation management, community education, and evacuation and warning systems, with support from its member and partner agencies.

Marin Wildfire’s vision is for communities to be informed, prepared, fire-adapted, resilient, and capable of withstanding a major fire, thereby limiting loss of life and major property damage while protecting Marin County’s rich environmental diversity.

The Marin Wildfire Board of Directors developed the following five goals for Marin Wildfire:

1. Vegetation Management and Local Wildfire Prevention Mitigation
2. Wildfire Detection, Alert, and Evacuation Program Improvements
3. Grants and Partnerships
4. Public Outreach and Education
5. Defensible Space Evaluations and Home Hardening

Marin Wildfire’s activities are designed to support one or more of these goals, either directly or indirectly. This Work Plan outlines proposed projects to further Marin Wildfire’s mission, vision, and goals within each of Marin Wildfire’s five geographic zones for the next fiscal year.

## Marin Wildfire Guiding Principles

### *Operational Intent*

As a public service agency dedicated to the safety of our community, agency staff, and volunteers, Marin Wildfire has outlined the following as recommended guiding principles and overall operational intent.

- Public safety and risk reduction
- Transparent and effective use of public funds
- Coordination and collaboration among agencies and residents
- Incentivize voluntary compliance through education and support before fines and penalties
- Ecologically sound practices
- Social and environmental equity

### *A “Systems” Approach*

Marin Wildfire and its member agencies have determined that the most effective way to create a more fire-adapted future for Marin County is to pursue a multi-pronged “systems” approach. This approach recognizes that the challenges that Marin faces are many and varied and, therefore, necessitate a holistic suite of solutions rather than any single “silver bullet.” Generally, these solutions include:

- Informed residents: The more knowledgeable Marin County’s residents are about wildfire, and how to reduce risk, the better prepared communities can be. A key component of Marin

Wildfire’s mission is funding public education through its member agencies and its nonprofit partner, Fire Safe Marin.

- Home hardening: Homes are major contributors to fire spread during urban conflagrations. If homes are more resistant to embers, the speed and intensity of fires will decrease, and fewer homes will be destroyed.
- Defensible space/fire-smart landscaping: Properly managing the landscaping around a home greatly reduces the risk to the home.
- Evacuation route and systems improvements: Marin Wildfire is working with each of its member agencies to study barriers to safe evacuation and make physical and systematic improvements to evacuation routes to enable safer evacuations.
- Vegetation management: In partnership with fire and land management agencies, towns and cities, Marin Wildfire is building a comprehensive vegetation management program guided by our CWPP, other prioritization efforts, the stewardship goals of our partner agencies, and input from our environmental community. This program has begun addressing Marin County’s backlog of vegetation management on public and private lands to reduce fire risk and support ecosystem health and the long-term resilience of local landscapes.

## **Background and Need for Action**

### **Reducing Wildfire Risk to Residents, Businesses, and Visitors**

Northern California has experienced some of the deadliest and most destructive wildfires in recorded history since 2017. During the North Bay Fires of 2017, more than 5,000 homes were destroyed in Sonoma and Napa counties. In 2018, the Mendocino Complex, Carr, and Camp fires burned hundreds of thousands of acres and destroyed thousands of structures. In 2020, a rare dry lightning event, followed by strong easterly winds, ignited hundreds of fires throughout northern California, burning a record 2.4 million acres by early October.

From January 7 to 31, 2025, several destructive wildfires affected Southern California communities. The most damaging wildfires included the Eaton Fire in Altadena and the Palisades Fire in Pacific Palisades, Topanga, and Malibu. Together, the Eaton and Palisades fires resulted in at least 30 fatalities and destroyed more than 15,837 buildings.

Marin County has not seen this level of wildfire activity in recent decades, but it is no less at-risk. Most structures in Marin County are vulnerable to wildfire, and most communities in Marin County are in areas facing potential near-term wildfire threats. The State Fire Marshal is mandated to classify lands within State Responsibility Areas into Fire Hazard Severity Zones (FHSZ), which are classified as “moderate,” “high,” or “very high.” The most recent updates to the FHSZ maps were completed in 2025 and indicated that approximately 102,200 acres in Marin County fall into the “high” fire hazard category, representing a 32.9% expansion since the fire severity zones were last updated in 2007. Another 26,200 acres fall under the “very high” category, the worst ranking from the Office of the State Fire Marshal, a 9.3% increase from the last update. It is clear that bold action is needed to help Marin County become more fire-resilient.

A significant portion of residents are especially vulnerable due to factors such as age and/or limited mobility. For example, approximately 13.5 percent of residents are age 65 or over according to the

2020 census (U.S. Census Bureau, 2020). The tragic loss of life and property in the town of Paradise during the 2018 Camp Fire further demonstrates the significance of such vulnerability, as many of the victims were older adults and many were unable to flee due to limited mobility (Ramsey, 2020).

## Adapting to a Changing Climate

Wildfire risk is predicted to increase in Marin County and throughout the region due to climate change and other factors (California Natural Resources Agency, 2018). Rising wildfire emissions further accelerate this change. In fact, emissions from California wildfires in 2020 were nearly an order of magnitude above the average annual emissions in the two previous decades (well over 100 million metric tons (MMT) CO<sub>2</sub> in 2020 compared to an annual average of 14 MMT CO<sub>2</sub> from 2000 to 2019) (California Air Resources Board, 2020). While inaction will continue to deepen this feedback loop, proper vegetation management can help sequester more carbon and secure remaining carbon stocks. The California Forest Carbon Plan and other sources state that unmanaged, overcrowded forestland sequesters significantly less carbon than a landscape with tree densities that more closely resemble conditions before modern fire suppression. Remaining trees are healthier and more resilient to drought, fire, and disease (California Forest Climate Action Team, 2018). While the Work Plan does not propose the removal of significant numbers of mature trees, various proposals include reducing the density of weedy understory species and immature trees that compete with mature trees and act as ladder fuel in an unnaturally crowded ecosystem. This work will yield benefits for forest health, carbon sequestration, reduced potential for crown fire, and reduced fire severity. Such projects reduce risks to communities and ecosystems, and reduce the potential for fires in Marin County to contribute to global carbon emissions.

## Funding and Program Area Overview

Measure C provides the funding for Marin Wildfire programs. Measure C raises over \$20M annually. Per the ordinance adopted by the Measure, Marin Wildfire divides the use of these funds into six categories, or “program areas,” each containing specific bodies of work. The first four categories are grouped as the **Core**. They include Wildfire Detection, Notification & Evacuation Improvements, Vegetation Management & Fire Hazard Reduction, Grants Management, and Public Education. These program areas also include **Defensible Space Evaluations and Home Hardening**, which can be carried out through shared services or by local control, and **Local Wildfire Prevention Mitigation**, which is specifically identified for local control. These program areas are identified in Table 1. Marin Wildfire’s 17 member agencies are grouped into five operational zones identified in Table 2 and displayed in Figure 1. Details describing these program areas are included in Tables 3 through 6. Anticipated funding by agency and category is described in Table 6.

Table 1. Program Areas

Program Area	Percent of Measure C Funds
JPA Core <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Wildfire Detection, Notification &amp; Evacuation Improvements</li> <li>● Vegetation Management &amp; Fire Hazard Reduction</li> <li>● Grants Management</li> <li>● Public Education</li> </ul>	60%
Defensible Space Evaluations and Home Hardening	20%
Local Wildfire Prevention Mitigation	20%

Table 2. Operational Areas

Agency	Zone
Novato Fire Protection District	Novato
City of San Rafael and Marinwood CSD	San Rafael Area
City of Larkspur, Kentfield Fire District, Sleepy Hollow Fire District, Town of Corte Madera, Town of Fairfax, Town of Ross, and Town of San Anselmo	Central
City of Mill Valley, Muir Beach CSD, and Southern Marin Fire District	Southern
Bollinas Fire District, County of Marin Fire, Inverness Fire District, and Stinson Beach Fire District	West

*\*County of Marin Fire has portions of jurisdiction in all five zones.*

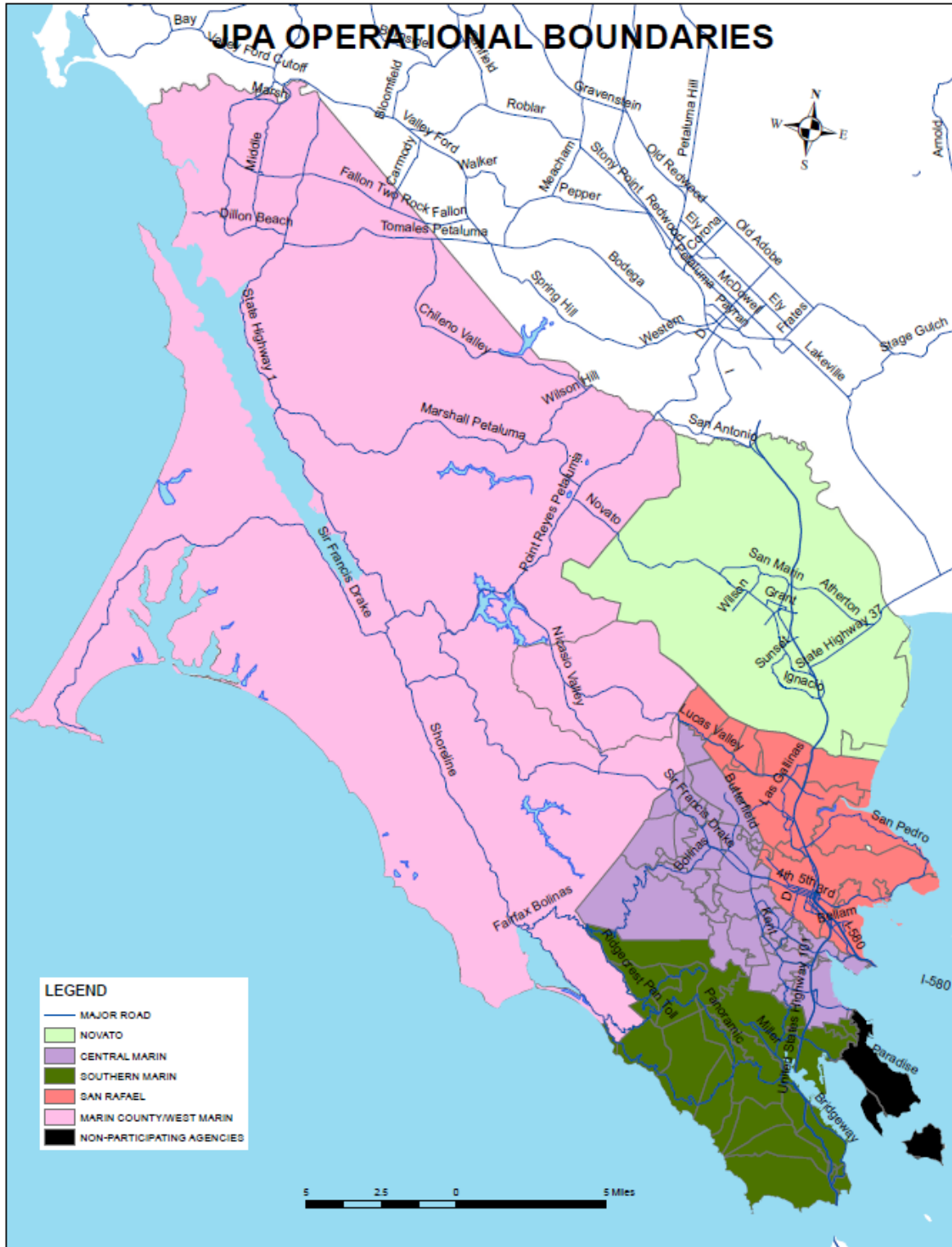


Figure 1. Map of Marin Wildfire Zones / Operational Areas.

Table 3. Core Program Area Categories and Examples

	Emphasis	Project Examples
<b>Detection, Notification, Evacuation</b>	Wildfire Detection	Detection Cameras, lookouts, linking to satellite systems, aircraft, and vehicle patrols
	Notification	Alert Marin, WEA, EAS, NOAA Weather Radios, Sirens, Pulse Point, Hi-Lo Vehicle Sirens, Red Flag Warning Signage
	Evacuation	Evacuation Route Study, Mutual Threat Zone Maps, Parking Boxes, Public Evacuation Maps, Choke Point Reduction, Evacuation Route Signage, Evacuation Drills
<b>Vegetation Management &amp; Fire Hazard Reduction</b>	Physical Projects	Evacuation Route Clearance, Shaded fuel breaks, defensible space work, grazing, fuel breaks, fire road maintenance, broom pulling, invasive plant control, chipper days, fire-prone vegetation removal, hazardous tree removal, replanting, example gardens and homes
	Planning Projects	CWPP update, update WUI maps, ordinance updates, compliance protocols
	People & Infrastructure	Fuels Crews, Temporary housing for work crews, vehicles, equipment needs: masticators, chippers, saws, hand tools, project management and supervision, private contractors, volunteers
<b>Grant Management</b>	Local	Matching or direct needs-based for qualifying individuals (seniors, AFN, etc.)
	State	CA Climate Investments Fire Prevention Grant Program, Fire Prevention and Forest Health, Green Waste Bins
	Federal	Hazard Mitigation Grants, Fire Prevention and Safety Grants, FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program
	Private	PG&E, NFPA Firewise, Donations
<b>Public Education</b>	Stakeholder Collaboration	FPOs, ESP, WMS & Seasonal inspectors, residents, public inquiries, Master Gardeners, FSM
	Print Media	Mass Media, brochures, handouts, mailers, newsletters, op-eds, bilingual
	Digital Media	Social media, PSA for movie theaters, Social networking sites, Website
	Trainings	Live webinars, workshops for residents, & professionals, schools, bilingual

Table 4. Defensible Space Evaluations and Home Hardening

Defensible Space Evaluations and Home Hardening
<p>Under the JPA agreement, the 17 Marin Wildfire agencies may opt into a shared seasonal defensible space home hardening inspection program, a locally-controlled inspection program, or establish a hybrid model. Agencies that maintain local control will receive their proportionate share of the 20% total JPA budget allocated to defensible space and home hardening.</p> <p>Upon Work Plan approval each year, agencies may immediately begin implementing their Defensible Space and Home Hardening programs.</p> <p>For this year, the Defensible Space and Home Hardening programs will be established as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Novato Fire Protection District</li> <li>2) City of San Rafael and Marinwood CSD</li> <li>3) Bolinas Fire District, City of Larkspur, County of Marin Fire, Inverness Fire District, Kentfield Fire District, Sleepy Hollow Fire District, Stinson Beach Fire District, Town of Corte Madera, Town of Fairfax, Town of Ross, and Town of San Anselmo, City of Mill Valley, Southern Marin Fire District, and Muir Beach CSD (“Defensible Space Alliance”)</li> </ol>

Table 5. Local Wildfire Prevention Mitigation

Local Wildfire Prevention Mitigation
<p>The final 20% of Measure C funds are reserved for local jurisdiction control to address unique needs or projects not approved as part of the overall Core function. These projects remain consistent with Marin Wildfire's purpose and they provide a higher level of service than would otherwise be provided by the member agency.</p> <p>Examples of potential projects include, but are not limited to: ignition reduction efforts, community wildfire demonstration gardens, community wildfire home hardening demonstration props, electronic message boards, essential facility hardening projects, fuel crew expansion, additional targeted vegetation management, street widening for choke point reduction, evacuation drills, NOAA weather radios, cost-share programs for resident home hardening for vegetation removal projects, or the expansion and acceleration of any of the other programmatic areas identified within JPA Core or Defensible Space and Home Hardening programs.</p>

Table 6. FY2026-2027 MWPA Budget Summary

Zone	Agency	Local 20%	D-Space 20%	Core minus Admin	Core Budget for JPA-wide Proposals	Core Budget per Zone
Central Marin	City of Larkspur	\$ 249,062	\$ 249,062			
	Kentfield Fire	\$ 158,438	\$ 158,438			
	Sleepy Hollow Fire District	\$ 54,341	\$ 54,341			
	Town of Corte Madera	\$ 195,781	\$ 195,781			
	Town of Fairfax	\$ 117,228	\$ 117,228			
	Town of Ross	\$ 64,768	\$ 64,768			
	Town of San Anselmo	\$ 219,009	\$ 219,009	\$2,925,080		\$1,588,873
West Marin	Bolinas Fire District	\$ 28,585	\$ 28,585			
	Inverness Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 24,316	\$ 24,316			
	Marin County Fire Department	\$ 390,391	\$ 390,391			
	Stinson Beach Fire District	\$ 31,980	\$ 31,980	\$763,064		\$414,489
Novato	Novato Fire District	\$ 1,155,894	\$ 1,155,894	\$3,306,612		\$1,796,118
San Rafael	City of San Rafael	\$ 1,112,908	\$ 1,112,908			
	Marinwood Community Services District	\$ 78,496	\$ 78,496	\$3,433,790		\$1,865,199
Southern Marin	City of Mill Valley	\$ 284,046	\$ 284,046			
	Muir Beach Community Services District	\$ 7,258	\$ 7,258			
	Southern Marin Fire District	\$ 537,772	\$ 537,772	\$2,289,193		\$1,243,466
JPA-Wide Core	Marin Wildfire				\$5,809,594	
Totals		\$4,710,274	\$4,710,274	\$12,717,740	\$5,809,594	\$6,908,146
Local (20% of Revenue)						\$4,710,274
Defensible Space (20% of Revenue)						\$4,710,274
Core (Excluding 10% for Administrative Costs)						\$12,717,740
Admin (10% of Core)						\$1,413,082
Total Projected Measure C Revenue with 2.5% CPI (Local + DSpace + Core + Admin)						\$23,551,370

## **Methodology for Building the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Work Plan**

This Marin Wildfire Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Work Plan (FY2026-27 Work Plan) builds on existing fire protection, prevention, and mitigation efforts as well as guidance from existing guiding documents, current and upcoming studies, Marin Wildfire committees and other experts, and members of the public.

### **Guiding Documents**

Marin Wildfire continues to refine its overall approach by reviewing the science, strategy, and case studies documented in a variety of existing documents. A sample of the documents used to inform its strategy is included below.

In November 2017, the Marin County Board of Supervisors created a subcommittee to study lessons learned from the North Bay Fires. The subcommittee conducted a series of interviews with Sonoma County officials, collected public input, and reviewed Marin County's existing structures and systems. The subcommittee produced a report titled "Lessons Learned: 2017 North Bay Fire Siege" (Marin County Fire Department, 2018), which outlines the main findings and areas for improvement to reduce the County's vulnerability and increase fire preparedness.

A 2018 NFPA report entitled, "Reducing Wildfire Risks: 3 Powerful Tips to Move People to Action" (National Fire Prevention Association, 2018) reports the results of a survey to determine what motivates the public to take action to reduce wildfire risk.

In 2019, the Marin County Civil Grand Jury released a report titled "Wildfire Preparedness: A New Approach" (Marin County Civil Grand Jury, 2019) that identified four areas of vulnerability, including vegetation management, public education, alerts, and evacuations. The report also recommends creating a joint powers authority to coordinate a comprehensive, consistent approach to pre-ignition planning, funded by tax revenue.

The Marin County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) (Marin County Fire Department, 2020) provides a science-based assessment of wildfire hazard and threat to homes in the wildland urban interface (WUI) of Marin County. The CWPP includes the following key elements: vegetation management; improvements to alerts, warning systems, and evacuations; public education; grants; defensible space evaluations; and local wildfire prevention mitigation. The FY 2025-2026 Work Plan includes funding to work with partners to update the 2020 CWPP.

### **Guidance from Marin Wildfire Committees**

The Operations Committee is composed of agency staff from each of the Marin Wildfire member agencies. Representatives on the Operations Committee generally include a balance of executive and administrative staff and fire experts, including several fire chiefs and city managers. The Operations Committee is responsible for developing the recommended annual budget and Work Plan.

Each year, the Operations Committee determines an overall approach to guide development of the annual Work Plan. In January 2022, the Operations Committee approved an overall approach to develop the FY 2022-2023 Work Plan. Since then, the Operations Committee has had the opportunity to update this approach annually. In January and February of 2026, the Operations Committee expanded on this approach for the FY 2026-2027 Work Plan. This updated strategy includes:

1. **House-out:** Continue the “House Out” approach;
2. **Home Hardening and DSpace:** Continue to reduce wildfire risk to communities by providing resources directly to residents for home hardening and defensible space activities;
3. **Shaded Fuel Breaks:** Prioritize shaded fuel breaks directly adjacent to communities and explore the potential for strategically placed landscape area treatments (SPLATs) informed by pathways modeling;
4. **Prescribed Fire:** Expand the use of prescribed fire and public education and involvement around beneficial fire;
5. **Evacuations:** Continue to prioritize evacuation planning and projects to improve safe and efficient evacuations;
6. **Improving Insurability:** Partner with insurance companies and the Insurance Institute for Business & Home Safety (IBHS) to help avoid insurance cancellations and control costs for homeowners;
7. **Public Education:** Increase public education, particularly to new audiences. Support activities that fire agencies and Marin residents can take, such as home hardening and defensible space (particularly Zone 0); safe evacuations; and reducing human-caused ignitions;
8. **Ignition Reductions:** Reduction of ignition potentials through local projects and programs including, but not limited to, enforcement.

The Operations Committee held six public meetings during the development of the FY2026-27 Work Plan. Additionally, the Operations Ad Hoc Subcommittee met three times to discuss proposals and approaches to prioritization.

The Advisory/Technical Committee (ATC) provides expert advice and recommendations on the development and implementation of Marin Wildfire programs. The ATC includes one technical staff member from each member agency, along with representatives from the Marin Municipal Water District (MMWD), the Marin County Open Space District (MCOSD), the National Park Service, California State Parks, Pacific Gas & Electric, Fire Safe Marin, the University of California Cooperative Extension, and Ecologically Sound Practices Partnership.

Members of the ATC and associated member agency staff drafted and submitted proposals for the FY2026-27 Work Plan reflecting the overall approach established by the Operations Committee. The ATC met seven times from December 2025 through April 2026 during the development of the FY2026-27 Work Plan. Draft project descriptions, goals, objectives, budgets, and other data were made public through the online web portal and reviewed by the ATC and the Operations

Committee to ensure a balanced approach, both in terms of physical distribution across the landscape and among Marin Wildfire Board-determined goals and objectives.

## **Public Involvement**

The development of the Draft FY 2026-27 Work Plan and Budget included extensive public transparency. In total, the Draft FY 2026-27 Work Plan and Budget was discussed during eleven public meetings: six Operations Committee meetings from December 2025 through May 2026, two Executive Committee meetings on April 2 and May 7, 2026; a Finance Committee meeting on May 11, 2026; and two Board of Directors meetings on April 16 and May 21, 2026. No public comments expressing concern or opposition to activities were received. Marin Wildfire staff also invited comments from environmental stakeholders before Board of Directors' consideration.

## **Proposals Included in the FY2026-27 Work Plan**

This Work Plan outlines proposed projects to further Marin Wildfire's mission, vision, and goals within each of the geographic zones for the next fiscal year. Additionally, the Work Plan proposals reflect the overall strategy provided by the Operations Committee as described above.

The proposals include a wide range of projects and programs to support a systems approach to wildfire risk reduction. This approach generally starts at the home and extends outward toward yards, roadways, and the edges between Marin's communities and its wildlands.

Starting at the home, the Defensible Space Alliance and other Member Agency inspection programs support home hardening and defensible space inspections of homes and yards. These inspection programs will visit 20,000 to 30,000 homes over the course of the year and residents will receive inspection reports. Grants are available through the Defensible Space Alliance and Member Agencies for residents to address certain home hardening and defensible space recommendations, particularly in Zone Zero. The FY2026-27 Work Plan also includes continued support for Marin Wildfire's free Chipper Day Program which serves residents performing their own defensible space work. Residents can sign up online for a pickup appointment. Chipper crews spend one week in each of Marin Wildfire's five zones, six times over the course of the chipper season for a total of 30 weeks.

Beyond the house and yard, evacuation routes remain a very high priority for Measure C dollars. Work on evacuation and alert systems will continue as part of the FY2026-27 Work Plan. Proposals include auditory alert systems, online evacuation management systems, evacuation studies, and continued support for modeling that supports this ongoing risk assessment. Proposals also include vegetation management along key evacuation routes to make area roads safer for moving residents out and moving first responders in during an incident. The Evac Risk Assessment, combined with additional fuel modeling, helps identify which roadways to prioritize and estimate the extent to which risk has been reduced after a project is implemented.

The FY2026-27 Work Plan also supports vegetation management that reduces unnatural fuel accumulation along the edges of communities and in certain key locations across the landscape. Sometimes called "shaded fuel breaks," "fuel breaks," or "fuel reduction zones," these projects generally target non-native vegetation such as broom species, eucalyptus, and acacia; dead and

down woody debris; overly dense and unhealthy vegetation; diseased or otherwise hazardous trees; and/or lower tree limbs while retaining healthy native trees. These actions reduce fire behavior near homes, reduce ember creation that can spread fire well beyond the fire front, slow the fire's movement along what is often called a "fire pathway"<sup>2</sup>, and create opportunities for firefighters to slow or stop a fire before it enters a neighborhood.

Science and data continue to be prioritized in FY2026-27. In particular, proposals support the Geographic Information Systems program and associated data collection and processing; metrics and dashboards showing progress toward Marin Wildfire's goals; and continued improvements to the Community Wildfire Protection Plan, its public-facing StoryMap, and its supporting data and modeling. These projects and programs will ensure that science and data continue to be part of the prioritization process.

Public education over the FY2026-27 year will include an additional focus on programs that specifically support Marin Wildfire's goals and objectives.

Vegetation management activities include continued implementation and maintenance of previously approved projects with a few new projects proposed that will require environmental compliance. Environmental compliance for new smaller projects is funded through a general environmental compliance proposal along with continued project support for biological, cultural, and geological surveys and other activities. Larger projects generally fund related environmental compliance activities through project-specific funds.

## Next Steps

The recommendations in this Work Plan, while significant, represent only a fraction of the work needed to help Marin County become more resilient to wildfire. Member agencies, partner agencies, stakeholders from all sectors, and residents of Marin County must adopt an "all of the above" approach to protecting public safety and maintaining the health of Marin County's abundant open space lands and native ecosystems. However, data collection, risk assessments, and modeling efforts to estimate project benefits will become an increasingly critical component of project planning and implementation, as well as annual Work Plan development. This is because even with Measure C in place and a JPA established, the need for action exceeds the resources available to complete it.

Approval of the annual Work Plan by Marin Wildfire's Board of Directors identifies sets of priorities that Marin Wildfire and member agencies intend to pursue rather than a final approval of the proposals in the Work Plan as "projects" under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Instead, this action allows fiscal year 2026-2027 funding to be released for certain activities starting July 1, the beginning of the next fiscal year. The 20 percent of Measure C funding related to Defensible Space Evaluations & Home Hardening may be distributed to member agencies starting July 1, in addition to the 20 percent for Local Wildfire Prevention Mitigation. The remaining 60 percent of funding may be distributed for core proposals that do not require environmental

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<sup>2</sup> A fire pathway is an area that tends to move wildfire rapidly across a landscape. These pathways are often depicted by lines or linear polygons where wind, topography, and fuels align for rapid rate of spread.

compliance. Core proposals that require environmental compliance pursuant to federal, state, and local laws and regulations may receive funding for implementation once environmental compliance is complete and acknowledged by the Board. Therefore, this initial approval is not a “project” under the CEQA, because it does not involve an activity that has the potential to cause a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment (Cal. Pub. Res. Code § 21065).

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# JPA-wide Proposals

## JPA-wide Budget Summary

JPA-wide Proposals	Core
Marin Wildfire Operational Costs, 2026/27	\$ 301,881
Genasys / Ladris AI (Zonehaven) Subscription, 2026/27	\$ 208,600
FireAside Defensible Space Inspection Application Subscription, 2026/27	\$ 252,055
Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Program, 2026/27	\$ 90,000
Marin Wildfire JPA-Wide Resident Grant Program, 2026/27	\$ 900,000
EmberReady Program, 2026/27	\$ 0
Marin Wildfire Chipper Day Program (and staff to support), 2026/27	\$ 1,350,000
Public Education and Outreach Services, 2026/27	\$ 1,250,000
Communication Coordinator, 2026/27	\$ 0
Ember Stomp, 2026/27	\$ 75,000
Data-Informed Decision Making, 2026/27: Metrics (\$40,950), Ad Hoc Analysis (\$56,050), CWPP Initial Update (\$47,700)	\$ 144,700
Environmental Compliance and Monitoring for Core Projects, 2026/27	\$ 535,000
MWPA Vegetation Management Specialist Positions, 2026/27	\$ 250,358
Coastal Marin Fuel Reduction Projects, 2026/27	\$ 200,000
Fire Foundry Fuels Crew Work, 2026/27	\$ 252,000
<b>Total JPA-wide proposals</b>	<b>\$ 5,809,594</b>

*Note: In addition to the projects and programs listed in the FY2026-27 Work Plan, Marin Wildfire may also continue to implement and maintain projects or programs from previous work plans with unspent funds.*

## JPA-wide Proposals

### MARIN WILDFIRE OPERATIONAL COSTS, 2026/27

*Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

*Partner Agency(ies)*

All Member Agencies and partners

*Primary Goal Addressed*

Supports all Goals

*Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Supports all Objectives

*Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

*Proposal Category*

Supports all Categories

*Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes costs associated with operation of Marin Wildfire, including:

- Rent (\$150,000 for 1600 Los Gamos Drive, Suite 335, 345)
- Tenant Improvements (\$25,000)
- Website/Work Plan Portal Support (\$25,000)
- Communications (\$5,000)
- Training (\$5,000)
- R&D (\$0, rollover)

- Insurance (\$91,881)

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of Marin Wildfire

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This proposal supports the continued operation of Marin Wildfire, whose mission is to lead the development of fire-adapted communities through sound scientific, financial, programmatic, and ecological practices, vegetation management, community education, and evacuation and warning systems, with support from its member and partner agencies.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal funds the operation of Marin Wildfire, which is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” including Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.2, “Wildfire Preparedness and Planning,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports all priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$301,881.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Mark Brown*

## **GENASYS/LADDRIS SUBSCRIPTION, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

All Member Agencies and Partners

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 2: Detection, Alert & Evacuation

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 2.2 Encourage redundant information, warning and alerting systems for all residents & visitors

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Alerts/Notifications

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes continued funding of a software subscription with Genasys (who acquired Zonehaven, Marin Wildfire's prior evacuation management software subscription), which is an evacuation management platform used by Marin County first responders. The Board of Directors approved a three year contract on January 4, 2024 continuing access to this platform with the addition of an AI traffic modeling tool from Ladriss AI (distributed through Genasys). Supporting details are available in item 8a of the January 4, 2024 Board of Directors agenda.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of Marin Wildfire

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This proposal provides first responders a way to manage evacuations safely and efficiently during a wildfire incident.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," including Strategy 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Evacuation Planning.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$208,600.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Mark Brown*

## **FIREASIDE DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTION APPLICATION SUBSCRIPTION, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.2 Create and maintain appropriate defensible space on all parcels

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

DSpace Evaluations

### *Project Description Summary*

The application allows Inspectors to collect data from home inspections in the field, compile that data into a report and then send this report to homeowners who can use it as a tool to reduce wildfire risks around their home. In addition, this application adds collected data to the existing database that can measure fire resiliency at a county wide scale. This proposal would continue to fund the subscription and maintenance to this application.

This proposal also incorporates the ongoing On Parcel Risk Assessment work conducted by WillowLabs as described below.

In the summer of 2024, in conjunction with Fire Aside, Willow released an initial version of the Dynamic Risk Scores API that allowed Fire risk assessment data to agency staff using the Fire Aside Admin module. In addition to real time scoring, Willow performed a comprehensive impact assessment of the on parcel risk assessment data and worked with the Marin Wildfire Defensible Space Alliance (MWDSA) on a pilot study that used on parcel risk to guide re inspections of high risk parcels.

In FY 25/26, Willow proposes the following work to continue supporting the needs of member agencies in refining, improving, and tracking the effectiveness of home hardening and defensible space programs:

- Continued integration with Fire Aside to model approximately 500,000 discoveries on about 30,000 parcels. Scores will be immediately available to program managers through the Admin module in Fire Aside. Willow will bill this work based on the number of inspections completed.
- A detailed technical report highlighting the spatial and thematic distribution of risk incorporating the new inspection data, focusing on new insights and updated policy and programming implications derived from the 2025 dataset. New this year, Willow will accompany this report with an on site workshop for DSI program staff in the Winter of 2025 to improve operational applicability.
- Collaboration with program staff on developing and evaluating at least one effective on parcel risk reduction campaign, for example, through grants, targeted agency visits, or advanced scheduling.
- An on site visit to the MWDSA inspector academy in May 2025 to help educate seasonal inspectors and program staff on risk quantification and to provide tactical guidance from a data collection perspective.
- In FY 24/25 Willow supported researchers at the Colorado State University (CSU) to pilot a novel structure to structure fire spread model in the Kent Woodlands. Depending on the outcome of this pilot study, Willow will continue to collaborate with CSU researchers in a full scale implementation of this fire spread model to the Marin Wildfire JPA. Willow's role in this project is to provide guidance around the policy implications of the CSU model outputs and to aid in map making and communication of study findings.
- Development of a neighborhood level risk scoring approach, using structure separation distance, on parcel risk assessment, and other modeling to quantify portions of each community in Marin with a high risk of damage from wildfire.

This proposal includes the FireAside subscription, On Parcel Risk Assessment, and the Grants Module added in FY25/26.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Marin Wildfire

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The application allows Inspectors to collect data from home inspections in the field, compile that data into a report and then send this report to homeowners who can use it as a tool to reduce wildfire risks around their home. In addition, this application adds collected data to the existing database that can measure fire resiliency at a county wide scale.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$252,055.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Steven Peters*

## **GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS) PROGRAM, 2026/27**

*Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

*Partner Agency(ies)*

All Member Agencies and Partners

*Primary Goal Addressed*

Supports all Goals

*Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Supports all Objectives

*Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

*Proposal Category*

Metrics/Data/GIS/CWPP

*Project Description Summary*

In FY2023 24, MWPA staff worked with a GIS contractor to complete a Needs Assessment that helped define MWPA's GIS related needs and most effective and efficient structure for the GIS program that integrates various existing and future efforts. The contractor has developed a GIS data management system to address multiple GIS applications and data related needs. This work includes the development of written policies and procedures to create consistency and standardization across multiple current and future data and mapping initiatives. This work also includes the integration of data from multiple efforts, including: Evacuation Ingress/Egress Risk Assessment, Willow Labs Vegetation Management modeling, Willow Labs On Parcel modeling (using FireAside data), environmental compliance data and project polygons, project monitoring and treatment tracking metrics, Wildfire Risk Perception Survey results, and other efforts.

Work in Fiscal Year 2026-2027 will include:

1. Continuation of those efforts undertaken in previous years;
2. Creation of public, online, interactive maps displaying Measure C funded projects for each Measure C goal;
3. GIS technical support during implementation of core projects, including field tools and data collection applications, support for grant reporting (CalMapper, etc.), integration of various data tools/applications;

4. Assistance with tracking and reporting agency metrics (such as acres treated in various fire hazard severity zones, projects completed, dollars spent per subregion/acre/mile) and reporting of metrics through a dashboard or similar tool.
5. Technical training to MWPA staff as needed, particularly related to information research and gathering, map/graphic production, and field data collection.
6. Work with land management and fire agencies to collect and share data as needed to support project planning and implementation.
7. Provide technical support related to MWPA's participation with and use of MarinMap for public and nonpublic geospatial data sharing.
8. Provide custom geospatial analysis as needed to answer ad hoc questions with accurate information.
9. Produce high quality maps for public and nonpublic meetings, presentations, documents, and website.
10. Support MWPA's coordination with funding/grant organizations and agencies through timely preparing and providing maps, data, and custom analyses.
11. On behalf of MWPA, maintain software licenses, credits, and subscriptions to ensure consistent and dependable use of GIS, including coordinating with Marin County GIS entities on enterprise solutions.

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Marin Wildfire

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The GIS program allows for the planning, implementation, and monitoring of vegetation management activities throughout the JPA. Additionally, this proposal allows Marin Wildfire and its member agencies to collect data on activities related to wildfire risk reduction, deliver this data to risk modelers to measure progress towards Marin Wildfire's goals, and then display that data publicly.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," including Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.2, "Wildfire Preparedness and Planning," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space," 8.5, "Non-residential Vegetation Management," and 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this proposal supports all priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$90,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Anne Crealock*

## MARIN WILDFIRE JPA-WIDE RESIDENT GRANTS PROGRAM, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

All Member Agencies

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 3: Grants

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 3.1 Assist the community with the creation of defensible space

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Grant Program

### *Project Description Summary*

The FY2026/27 Work Plan includes several grant programs and direct assistance programs that serve residents around the five zones.

In past years, the JPA-wide Resident Grants Program has been managed by a Grants Specialist employed by Marin Wildfire. Given upcoming staffing changes at Marin Wildfire, the FY2026/27 program will be restructured to link the grant dollars more closely to each of the zones and their staff. Novato and San Rafael will incorporate their portions of the JPA-wide Program into their own grant programs. This will simplify the grant application process for San Rafael and Novato residents without reducing grant opportunities. Representatives from the Marin Defensible Space Alliance (MDSA) are considering expanding the existing contract with FireAside, the home evaluation software for access to its newly developed grant management platform. This newly developed service will automate more of the process and make the public-facing online interface easier to use and view the status of their grant applications.

Grant funds will continue to focus on high priority home hardening and defensible space discoveries identified in home evaluations, with a particular focus on Zone Zero.

Each Zone will be allotted a set amount of grant dollars. This will be a percentage of the overall program budget, less approximately \$50,000 for the newly developed Fire Aside grants module. Each zone's percent grant budget will be the midpoint between the % revenue generated in that zone, and 20% (an equal split). With the proposed budget of \$900,000 this results in the following grant funding available for each zone:

	Mid-point
San Rafael	\$ 184,875
Novato	\$ 182,750
Central Marin	\$ 175,525
Southern Marin	\$ 166,600
West Marin	\$ 140,250

*Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Marin Wildfire

*Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The JPA-wide Resident Grant Program program provides residents with financial resources to help complete projects that reduce the vulnerability of their homes and gardens to wildfire.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$900,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Mark Brown*

## EMBERREADY PROGRAM, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

All Member Agencies

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.2 Create and maintain appropriate defensible space on all parcels

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Grants

### *Project Description Summary*

EmberReady staff works with the local fire department staff to identify and select high wildfire hazard neighborhoods for home hardening and/or Zone 0 vegetation removal projects. By helping vulnerable neighborhoods organize, promote, and execute specific mitigation projects and helping them to take advantage of available “group” discounts on products and labor, neighborhood-wide mitigation objectives can be achieved.

EmberReady is a Marin Wildfire Program to help residents and neighborhoods take action to reduce wildfire risk. Every resident receiving a defensible space inspection report (Wildfire Risk Report) will see added features embedded in their report.

The process begins with the local fire department working with EmberReady staff to select a neighborhood to become EmberReady. Then mitigation measures and resource options are selected for the neighborhood and fire department level of involvement is determined. The neighborhood is approached, and the project is executed.

1. Select the EmberReady Neighborhood using a set of criteria
2. Select the Mitigation options and incentives for the EmberReady Neighborhood

3. Fire agency determines the level of their involvement/participation
4. Project implemented, sequence can vary depending on neighborhood specific requirements

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Marin Wildfire

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The EmberReady Program provides resources to fire agencies and residents to complete home hardening and defensible space projects at scale in vulnerable neighborhoods.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$0, funded through a grant from the Marin Community Foundation

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Mark Brown*

## MARIN WILDFIRE CHIPPER DAY PROGRAM, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

All Member Agencies and Fire Safe Marin

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.2 Create and maintain appropriate defensible space on all parcels

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Chipper Days

### *Project Description Summary*

The Chipper Day Program is a continuing JPA-wide program centered on the curbside pickup and disposal of excess vegetation from residential properties. The purpose of the program is to assist Marin County residents with their home hardening efforts by providing them with service for the removal and disposal of their hazardous vegetation. Activities associated with this program include the chipping and transportation of vegetation from properties within the JPA as well as assisting member agencies in vegetation management projects that are deemed to be in line with the core mission of the program. Such projects are assessed on a case by case basis for program relevancy. Additionally, the program will work with MCFD's Fire Foundry program to assist additional residents with larger chipping needs and helping to provide work experience for Foundry cohort members.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of Marin Wildfire

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The Chipper Day Program supports thousands of residents every year when doing their defensible space work around their homes.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$1,350,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Steven Peters*

## **PUBLIC EDUCATION & OUTREACH SERVICES, 2026/27**

*Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

*Partner Agency(ies)*

All Member Agencies, Partners, and Fire Safe Marin

*Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 4: Public Outreach and Education

*Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

All Public Outreach and Education Objectives

*Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

*Proposal Category*

Public Education

*Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes programs identified in a Scope of Work drafted for Fire Safe Marin (FSM). This Scope of Work addresses objectives and metrics identified under Marin Wildfire's Goal 4, Public Outreach and Education.

### **Program 1: Development and coordination of new and existing Firewise Communities (Estimated cost: \$275 - \$305K)**

The national Firewise USA recognition program provides a collaborative framework to help communities get organized, find direction, and take action to increase the ignition resistance of their homes and community and to reduce wildfire risks at the local level. Firewise communities provide a personalized and customized approach to deliver fire prevention messaging. Residents in these communities are more likely to take proactive measures, such as home hardening and creating defensible space, to reduce wildfire risk and protect their homes. Firewise communities commit to engaging in a number of prevention and education activities annually, which require support and materials. Given its long-time experience with the Firewise program, existing trust and relationships with community members, FSM's proven reputation as a non-profit and the first Fire Safe Council providing excellent resources, and its connection to Marin's fire prevention community, FSM is uniquely positioned to coordinate and support firewise communities on behalf of Marin Wildfire, and to ensure that these communities can leverage MW-sponsored resources such as Fire Aside, Chipper Day, the CWPP and more.

DRAFT Tasks:

- 1) Strategically grow and expand firewise communities throughout Marin County.
- 2) Serve as the point of contact and lead coordinating organization for Firewise sites in Marin, answering firewise leaders' questions, providing up-to-date resources and information, and encouraging communities to engage with their residents using vetted and trusted information. Upon request, provide Spanish translation services. Specifically:
  - a) Promote the Wildfire Home Evaluation Program among Firewise sites, ensuring communities know when inspections are happening. Drive residents to:
    - i) Be present for and walk with their inspector
    - ii) Open their Report
    - iii) Resolve discoveries
    - iv) Report actions taken using their report interface
    - v) Other actions as needed
  - b) Promote other programs and information such as Chipper Program, availability of grants, and pertinent information regarding vegetation management efforts near Firewise sites.
  - c) Encourage and support education on concepts such as the 3 modes of home ignition
  - d) Coordinate with OEM and Ready Marin on activities related to Alerts and Evacuation, including each firewise community's annual evacuation drill. Review existing evacuation drill templates, determine needs and process, including post-action data collection needs. e) As appropriate and in coordination with the MW Communications Coordinator, inform residents of vegetation management efforts in the open space surrounding the community, and promote field trips.
- 3) Develop an adaptation of the Firewise Marin Risk Assessment template, in partnership with Marin Wildfire and member agencies, to reflect the latest Community Wildfire Protection Plan, and in particular, but not exclusively, data available through Fire Aside.
- 4) Determine and define the need for a Spanish language Risk Assessment template, and for all other materials to create or maintain a firewise community.
- 5) Special attention should be given to the digital divide and challenges faced by older adults.
- 6) Conduct an annual survey of all firewise communities in Marin. The survey should be developed with input from Marin Wildfire and local agencies (including OEM), to reflect data collection and information needs, and in partnership with Fire Aside.
- 7) Drive action among Firewise leaders to develop pipelines of leadership, and increase community participation by completing their Universal Firewise actions: build/maintain a contact

lists, conduct neighborhood walks, hold regular meetings, hold annual evacuation drill, and report hazards to their local fire agency.

Draft Deliverables:

- Annual report and presentation summarizing the activities of firewise communities in Marin by Marin Wildfire zone, and outlining the needs for future programming and resources. This report should include data from Fire Aside and from the annual Firewise communities' survey, and outline clear recommendations for program improvements from the firewise perspective.
- Annual submission of geo-data to Marin Wildfire regarding firewise activities other than the data already collected through Fire Aside. This includes volunteering hours and private funds engaged into fire adaptation activities, evacuation drills, any vegetation removed in common areas, and other as appropriate.

Program 1 contributes to progress on the following Marin Wildfire Strategic Measures:

- Measure 2b. Number of contacts subscribed to Alert Marin
- Proposed Measure 4c. % of the JPA organized into fire-focused communities (firewise, IBHS etc). While this measure is quantitative, there is interest in collecting information about the efforts of firewise communities from a qualitative perspective to help inform and design program improvements.
- Measure 5b. % of residents who open their Wildfire Risk Report
- Measure 5c. % of parcels with at least half of all defensible space violations resolved
- Measure 5d. % of parcels with high risk issues

**Program 2: Support residents in the implementation of defensible space and home hardening (Estimated cost: \$270K - \$410K)**

MW's member agencies all use Fire Aside to conduct home evaluations and to communicate to residents about the violations and recommendations found on their parcels. FSM plays a crucial role in supporting this communication and education effort, by providing accurate and up-to-date information on each of the approximately 120 "discoveries", any number of which could appear on a resident's report. Furthermore, FSM has worked with Marin Wildfire to develop a campaign to increase awareness about the inspection reports, create a call to action, and provide a continuum of branding and vocabulary so that the language in the Wildfire Risk Report is integrated with information available through other member agency outlets. Finally, residents need support with implementing the recommended mitigations outlined in their wildfire risk reports and FSM provides valuable reference resources to residents, such as plant lists, etc.

DRAFT Tasks:

- 1) Maintain a state-of-the-art, user friendly website that serves as a repository of information and resources for residents seeking to fire-adapt their home.

- a) The mitigation steps for discoveries are explained and illustrated on a separate webpage or webpage anchor, linked to the Wildfire Risk Report. Preference is given to graphics, photos, very short videos or animations over text.
- b) Where applicable based on the mitigation required, provide a list of local vendors

2) Develop and implement up to 2 County-wide, bilingual communications campaigns per year, on specific elements of the Home Evaluation Program, to help raise awareness and educate residents, with the objective of increasing residents' actions to protect the built environment. The themes of each campaign should be established based on member agencies' requests, data available through Fire Aside, and more. The branding and alignment of these campaigns with existing resident-facing materials is important, and the branding should include Marin Wildfire Measure C. Examples of past similar campaigns: Open Your Wildfire Risk Report; Implement Zone Zero. Example of future themes (for illustration only): Meet your Fire Inspector, Combustible Fences, etc. Each campaign may include, as applicable:

- a) Marin IJ ads
- b) Targeted emails
- c) Print ads and mailers
- d) Targeted social media posts
- e) Bus ads
- f) Yard signs, billboards etc
- g) New and emerging strategies for communications
- h) Other as needed

3) Respond to residents' questions and requests in partnership with the local Home Evaluation Program and grant(s) program.

Draft Deliverables:

- FSM Webpages providing accessible and clear information on each of the Home Evaluation Report "discoveries", in english and in spanish, ADA accessible. Discoveries might be grouped if relevant, but must be anchored to facilitate quick reference from the Home Evaluation Report. For each page, FSM will provide analytics on clicks etc, grouped with a summary of FAQs received from residents.
- Annual reporting on number of emails and phone calls, and nature of the questions, with recommendations on areas of improvements and new programmatic needs (regardless of whether these are to be implemented by FSM, by another party, or jointly)

Program 2 contributes to progress on the following Marin Wildfire Strategic Measures:

- 5b. % of residents who open their Wildfire Risk Report
- 5c. % of parcels with at least half of all defensible space violations resolved
- 5d. % of parcels with high risk issues
- 5e. % of parcels with a projected flame length of 4ft or less

**Program 3: Professional training & educational programs for strategic partner organizations (Estimated Cost: \$165K - \$195K)**

Marin Wildfire has established a list of key partners and organizations that have the potential to multiply and emphasize the importance of fire prevention. These partners include builders, realtors, landscapers / landscape architects, nurseries and home hardening vendors, property managers, chambers of commerce.

These partner organizations have members who are directly involved in the implementation of defensible space and home hardening. Given its expertise, connections to the fire prevention community, trustworthy reputation, and existing array of wildfire prevention resources, FSM is uniquely positioned to provide professional training and education on wildfire prevention best practices to these strategic partners on behalf of Marin Wildfire.

#### DRAFT Tasks:

- 1) Define membership training needs for each strategic organization; determine the need for Spanish language delivery
- 2) Develop new or update existing training materials, incorporating latest recommendations and resources in terms of fire prevention, in partnership with UC Cooperative extension and Marin Wildfire
- 3) Deliver trainings in the format and frequency requested by each partner organization
- 4) Evaluate the penetration of each training through the target membership, and associated satisfaction. Collect feedback for improvements and adjust on an annual basis
- 5) Develop special programs to encourage the adoption of fire-adapted practices and tools within each partner organization. This could include ideas such as a fire-adapted label / endorsement of specific products or services.

#### Draft Deliverables:

- An annual report outlining activities with each partner organization, and recommendations for future programming. Evaluate the effectiveness / benefits of the training activities in preparing Marin communities to be fire-adapted. Outline the need for advocacy at the local or state level if applicable.

#### Program 3 contributes to progress on the following Marin Wildfire Strategic Measures:

- Proposed Measure 4c. Partnerships with trade organizations and vendors, specifically Builders, realtors, landscapers / landscape architects, nurseries and home hardening vendors, property managers, chambers of commerce
- 5c. % of parcels with at least half of all defensible space violations resolved
- 5d. % of parcels with high risk issues

#### **Program 4: Community events (Estimated Costs: \$190K - \$230K)**

Marin Wildfire and member agencies desire to take advantage of existing public events happening across the County throughout the year to raise awareness and provide resources about fire adaptation. FSM has participated in public events for decades and has developed personnel (Ambassadors) and logistical resources (materials and equipment, transport vehicle, etc) to do so, in partnership with the local fire agency and other community-based organizations. FSM's existing communications experience about fire prevention is unique in facilitating this outreach work on

behalf of Marin Wildfire and member agencies. For illustration purposes, in FY 24-25, FSM participated in 83 community events, distributed as follows:

County-wide	Central Marin	Novato	San Rafael	Southern Marin	West Marin	Total
22	15	6	11	18	11	83

3) Strategically place bilingual ambassadors at events where Spanish-speaking support is anticipated. Use data-driven insights to guide deployment and accommodate partner requests for bilingual support whenever possible

Draft Deliverables:

- An annual presentation outlining:
  - Basic statistics about the number and nature of events
  - Report on the type of questions / areas of interest received from the public
  - Any recommendation for future programmatic improvements to increase engagement.

Program 4 contributes to progress on the following Marin Wildfire Strategic Measures:

Given the diversity of audiences at these public events, any aspect of fire prevention / adaptation education may be provided, spanning all strategic goals and measures.

**Program 1 – 4 Shared Infrastructure and Administration (Estimated Cost: \$160K - \$170K)**

- Leadership minimally allocated to specific programs
- Organizational admin
- Coordination with Marin Wildfire such as reporting, Board meetings

**Summary of Potential Costs Associated with Programs in Draft Scope of Work**

Fire Safe Marin provided a range of costs for each of the items listed in the above draft Scope of Work. Those costs are listed below.

Staff and infrastructure serve multiple programs simultaneously which is what allows FSM to deliver the proposed scope of work with significant cost-efficiencies. People (staff & production team)	\$ 998,307
Required business expenses	\$ 61,000
Program expenses	\$ 240,693
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,300,000</b>

**Program 1: FIREWISE COMMUNITIES (Estimated cost: \$275 - \$305K)**

- Staffing (admin, communications, strategy, program management)
- Subscriptions (applications and tools that support program management e.g. Monday, Databox)
- Cache operations (self-service storage)
- Print materials (supporting materials like doorhangers, brochures, educational materials)

**Program 2: HOME HARDENING/DEFENSIBLE SPACE SUPPORT (Estimated cost: \$270K - \$410K)**

- Staffing (communications, strategy, admin, web tech, program management)
- Website maintenance & ADA compliance upgrades
- Increased agency coordination time
- Campaign production (up to 2 campaigns/year — print, digital, mailers)

**Program 3: PROFESSIONAL TRAINING (Estimated cost: \$165K - \$195K)**

- Staffing + contractor buildout (curriculum development, program management, communications, partnership development)
- Video production & platform costs
- Training materials development
- MCF grant-covered activities are excluded

**Program 4: COMMUNITY EVENTS (Estimated Cost: \$190K – 230K)**

- Staffing (program management, communications, coordination)
- Ambassadors (40-50 events across 5 zones)
- Vehicle/transport logistics
- Event fees, materials & supplies
- Bilingual ambassador support

**Program 1 – 4 SHARED INFRASTRUCTURE AND ADMIN (Estimated Cost: \$160K - \$170K)**

- Leadership minimally allocated to specific programs
- Organizational admin
- Coordination with Marin Wildfire, reporting, Board meetings, etc.

**Total Cost: approx. \$1,100,000 to \$1,300,000**

*Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of Marin Wildfire

*Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

It is clear that successful mitigation efforts must include a critical mass of participation from home and property owners. Public education and outreach empowers these stakeholders with the knowledge and motivation to take action and lower risks. FSM’s outreach encourages homeowners

to take personal responsibility for hardening their homes and creating defensible space while also educating the workforce necessary to make these changes.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” including Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.2, “Wildfire Preparedness and Planning,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, public education and outreach supports all priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$1,250,000.00.

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Mark Brown*

## MARIN WILDFIRE STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR, 2026/27

*Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

*Partner Agency(ies)*

All Member Agencies, Partners, and Fire Safe Marin

*Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 4: Public Outreach and Education

*Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 4.3: Conduct outreach and education activities to community and strategic partners

*Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

*Proposal Category*

Public Education

*Position Description Summary*

This proposal is included in the FY2026-27 Work Plan to be considered for future funding.

Reporting to the Executive Officer, The Strategic Communications Coordinator is responsible for the overarching vision, coordination, and integrity of Marin Wildfire’s brand and public presence. This is a dual-focus classification that blends the strategic oversight of a Communications Manager with the hands-on technical execution of a Digital Communications Specialist.

The Coordinator directly develops, designs, and administers all of Marin Wildfire’s communications and digital platforms. Simultaneously, the role functions as a strategic liaison to 17 member agencies, Fire Safe Marin (FSM), and partner organizations, providing overarching communications strategy support, contract management, and shared visual assets to ensure regional alignment and demonstrate the value of Measure C.

### **Main Responsibility Areas (Draft and Subject to Change)**

#### 1. Marin Wildfire Strategic Communication Planning & Brand Integrity

- **Implementation:** Lead the update, execution, and implementation of the Marin Wildfire Strategic Communications Plan in collaboration with FSM and member agencies. The Plan will establish long-term communication goals, roles, responsibilities, and metrics for Marin Wildfire.

- Brand Management: Audit, refine, and guide the application of the Marin Wildfire Style Guide, Social Media Strategy, and Public Outreach Guidelines to maintain brand consistency.
  - News Gathering: Attend Board of Directors and committee meetings to identify newsworthy milestones, translating complex policy into strategic communication opportunities.
2. Public Education Contract & Partnership Management
- Oversight: Act as the primary contract manager for the Fire Safe Marin (FSM) public education agreement and other public education partners (i.e, Marin Master Gardeners, etc). Evaluate deliverables, monitor budgets, and ensure output meets contractual performance standards; Facilitate partnerships and relationship building with contractors for greater efficiency / integration.
3. Marin Wildfire Programmatic Support & In-House Public Communications Materials
- Prioritization & Scope of Support: Develop clear systems to strategically evaluate and prioritize Marin Wildfire programs' communications needs. While the coordinator will not execute all communications work on behalf of program managers, they will provide targeted support by ensuring an audience-centered perspective and amplifying key program milestones and events across Marin Wildfire's central website, social media, and press channels.
  - Internal Collaboration: Partner closely with Marin Wildfire Program Managers (Inspection, Grants, Ember Ready, Vegetation Management) to translate technical program data into accessible, public-facing communication material that further the mission of the program.
  - Material Development: Identify and produce select external, public-facing communication materials that accurately reflect individual program goals while maintaining brand consistency with the broader Marin Wildfire visual system. This might include newsletters, annual reports, flyers, social media posts, and web-based articles among other materials.
4. Comprehensive Digital & Website Administration for Marin Wildfire
- Platform Administration: Manage, update, and optimize the Marin Wildfire website utilizing Content Management Systems (CMS) and visual development platforms. Oversee all official social media accounts, digital assets, and print media repositories.
  - Content Production: Serve as the primary in-house creator for Marin Wildfire's digital channels. Write compelling copy, modify photography, and design original vector graphics, multi-page layouts, and professional marketing materials.
  - Deployment Systems: Develop and maintain content calendars using social media management software (e.g., Hootsuite) to strategically prioritize, schedule, and analyze audience engagement metrics.
5. Inter-Agency Coordination & Liaison
- Strategic Liaison: Build consensus and collaborate with 17 distinct member agencies to enhance collective communication efforts without duplicating or absorbing their local content creation duties. While this role provides shared assets to streamline coordinated campaigns, it acts as a facilitator, advisory partner and resource rather than an enforcement authority over independent member agencies.
  - Tailored Workflow Coordination: Develop streamlined systems for coordinated message deployment (i.e. digital toolkits) that respect the operational realities of independent jurisdictions.

- Resource Sharing & Asset Distribution: Distribute shared digital toolkits, data dashboards, storyboards, and other communications material as needed.
- Report Progress: Produce targeted reports about Marin Wildfire’s work for member agencies.

#### 6. Marin Wildfire Public Relations & Public Information (PIO)

- Spokesperson: Serve as the primary Public Information Officer (PIO) for Marin Wildfire, coordinating high-level press strategies, managing media inquiries, and delivering public presentations.
- Earned Media: Develop and execute an earned media strategy, including drafting and distributing professional press releases.
- Event Planning: Plan, oversee, and execute high-impact public events and community workshops to amplify Marin Wildfire initiatives. This includes overseeing logistics, planning agendas, building relationships, writing talking points, and producing event material to create engaging events.
- Value Communication: Factually and consistently communicate the community value, safety improvements, and return on investment (ROI) provided by Marin Wildfire and Measure C funding.

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Marin Wildfire

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This position provides Marin Wildfire with a broader and deeper capacity to engage with the public, member agencies, and Fire Safe Marin on public outreach and education around wildfire preparedness.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

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#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$0, funding to be determined

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## **EMBER STOMP, 2026/27**

*Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

*Partner Agency(ies)*

All Member Agencies, Partners, and Fire Safe Marin

*Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 4: Public Outreach and Education

*Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 4.3: Conduct outreach and education activities to community and strategic partners

*Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

*Proposal Category*

Public Education

*Project Description Summary*

Ember Stomp is Marin’s premier wildfire prevention festival, designed to educate and empower residents to take action in reducing wildfire risks. This free, family friendly event will be hosted by Marin Wildfire and Fire Safe Marin at the Marin Fairgrounds, bringing together a diverse range of wildfire safety experts, fire agencies, community organizations, products and service providers, and local residents.

Key features of Ember Stomp:

- Live Burn Demos – showcases how homes ignite and how building materials, design, and mitigation efforts can make a difference.
- Fire Smart Landscaping Expo – features tips on creating fire resilient landscapes.
- Home Hardening Exhibit – hands on demos featuring fire resistant building materials and retrofitting strategies.
- Emergency Preparedness – learn about Marin's evacuation planning, alert systems, and disaster readiness.
- Fire Agencies – Meet experts from various agencies around Marin about wildfire and emergency preparedness.
- Interactive Kids' Activities – engages children in wildfire safety through interactive family activities like a sing a longs, magician, bilingual activities, a bouncy castle, and arts and crafts.
- Exhibitor Booths – a wide range of community partners, including environmental groups, government agencies, non profits, and wildfire product and service providers.

- Live Music, Food Trucks, & Community Building – a festival atmosphere that makes learning about wildfire safety engaging and enjoyable.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Marin Wildfire

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Ember Stomp reduces wildfire risk by providing residents with information and motivation to mitigate risk around their properties, including:

- Raises awareness: helps residents understand their wildfire risk and the importance of home hardening, defensible space, fire smart landscaping, and evacuation readiness.
- Provides actionable solutions: offers proven strategies to reduce fire hazards around homes and yards, making structures more fire resilient.
- Connects residents to resources: guides residents to available products, services, grant opportunities, and community resources to reduce their risk.
- Facilitates engagement: encourages in person discussions with experts who can address specific concerns and unique challenges of individual properties.
- Builds trust and community readiness: reinforces public confidence in Marin Wildfire initiatives to reduce threat of wildfire in Marin.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

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### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$75,000.00, with approximately \$75,000 rollover from FY2025/26

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## DATA-INFORMED DECISION MAKING, 2026/27

*Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

*Partner Agency(ies)*

*Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

*Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

*Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

*Proposal Category*

Metrics/Data/GIS/CWPP

*Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes three items:

- 1) Support for Marin Wildfire metrics and dashboards (\$40,950):
  - a. Update to Fire Resilient Roads analysis
  - b. Dynamic Risk Scores
  - c. Updated Strategic Measures – Goal 5
  - d. Updated Strategic Measures – Goal 1 quarterly progress assessment
  - e. Collaboration with Green Info Network to facilitate data sharing
- 2) As needed / ad hoc analysis services for member agencies related to modeling and data (\$56,050):
  - a. Updated fire pathways analysis
  - b. Dashboard hosting and maintenance – vegetation and on-parcel risk
  - c. Up to 20 hours per zone per year of project planning and analysis (pay for what you use)
  - d. Annual presentations to Marin Wildfire zones and member agencies (Pay for what you use)
  - e. Development and Delivery of Workshop Materials - Defensible Space and Home Hardening - Inspection Programs
  - f. On-Site Workshops and Presentations - Estimated Travel Fees - Inspection Programs

- 3) Near-term updates to the Community Wildfire Protection Plan for the coming fiscal year (\$47,700):
  - a. CWPP Planning System hosting, maintenance, and improvements;
  - b. One annual presentation to ATC, Operations Committee, and Board of Directors;
  - c. Member Agency and Stakeholder coordination;
  - d. Integration of suggested new modeling approaches as they become available (ignition data, urban conflagration, etc.).

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Marin Wildfire

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This proposal supports the science and data needed to make informed decisions around wildfire adaptation projects and programs.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” including Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.2, “Wildfire Preparedness and Planning,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports all priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$144,700.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Anne Crealock*

# MARIN WILDFIRE ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE AND IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT FOR CORE PROJECTS, 2026/27

## *Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

## *Partner Agency(ies)*

All Member Agencies and Land Management Agencies

## *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

## *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

All Goal 1 Objectives

## *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

## *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

## *Project Description Summary*

### New Projects

This proposal covers CEQA compliance for one new exempt project per zone, support for existing approved exempt core veg management projects, and overall environmental compliance program (\$17,000 x 5).

### Existing Projects

To date, over 40 projects have been approved and CEQA completed. Even so projects require continued support in several ways, including:

- Project implementation coordination
- Bird surveys, Botanical surveys, Geological surveys, Cultural resources surveys,
- Coordination with Tribe
- Crew trainings, staff trainings
- Mapping / GIS / data collection support
- Monitoring support
- Reporting
- Right-to-enter agreements
- Responses to letters/inquiries from environmental stakeholders
- Ongoing meetings with environmental stakeholders
- Meeting facilitation

- Permits (County, CalTrans, Coastal Commission, etc.)
- Review of existing science / case studies
- Grazing monitoring as requested by member agencies (\$50,000)

This budget does not include new CEQA compliance or specific support for the large approved projects (GRVSFB, GNSFB, SRSAFRZ, GMVFB).

Early environmental compliance proposal budget requests were overestimated in order to ensure that enough budget was available to support all potential project work. This rollover has been exhausted and the FY2026/27 budget proposal assumes no rollover from FY2025/26.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Marin Wildfire

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This proposal ensures that vegetation management for fire risk reduction is done in an ecologically sound manner and in compliance with all applicable environmental regulations.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” including Strategies 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports all priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$535,000.00,

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Anne Crealock*

## MARIN WILDFIRE VEGETATION MANAGEMENT SPECIALISTS (TWO POSITIONS), 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

All Member Agencies and Partners

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Supports all Goals

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Supports all Objectives

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Staffing

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes \$250,358 to fully fund two (2) Vegetation Management Specialists (VMS) to support Marin Wildfire activities. These two positions were approved by the Board of Directors in 2023 and positions were filled in fall 2023. Duties include contracting, GIS activities, data collection and monitoring activities, project planning and environmental compliance, permitting, management of field crews, and coordination of consultants.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of Marin Wildfire

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

These positions help plan and implement projects and programs throughout the jurisdiction of Marin Wildfire, particularly those related to vegetation management.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

These positions support the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” including Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.2, “Wildfire Preparedness and Planning,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports all priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$250,358

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Anne Crealock*

## COASTAL MARIN FUEL REDUCTION PROJECTS, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

Bolinas Fire Department, Inverness Fire District, County of Marin Fire, Muir Beach Community Services District, Stinson Beach Fire Department

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate Vegetation Management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

The coastal communities of Muir Beach, Stinson Beach, Bolinas, and Inverness are located within the Coastal Zone, and are therefore subject to California Coastal Act of 1976 regulations. Much of the land that is not federally owned and managed within the Marin County Coastal Zone is under the jurisdiction of the Marin County Local Coastal Program. On March 1, Governor Newsom declared a state of emergency regarding wildfire risks, which suspends certain State statutes, rules, regulations, and requirements that fall under the jurisdiction of the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) and the California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA), inclusive of CEQA and the California Coastal Act. The proposed project consists of priority treatment areas that have not been able to commence without either a Coastal Development Permit or completion of a Public Works Plan.

The purpose of the proposed project is to reduce wildfire rate of spread and intensity around and within coastal communities thereby establishing community defensible spaces to provide areas for fire personnel to defend the Marin County coastal communities should a wildfire ignite, and allow safe ingress and egress during a wildfire. Roadside treatments along fire roads and evacuation routes would improve access for first responders and emergency vehicles and permit safer evacuation for residents and visitors. The proposed project would also improve defensible space

and access by reducing heat, flame, ember, and smoke impingement in the event of an approaching wildfire.

Treatments would occur in the coastal communities of Muir Beach, Stinson Beach, Bolinas, and Inverness:

- Up to 300 feet around structures and critical infrastructure
- Up to 100 feet around roadways
- Up to 50 feet around fire roads

Methods would include:

- Manual treatment methods
- Mechanical treatment methods
- Herbicide application
- Chipping and hauling or broadcasting of chips

### *Geographic Scope*

Coastal Marin County

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This proposal would reduce fuel loading around vulnerable communities and roadways in Coastal Marin.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” including Strategies 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” and “Roadside Clearance,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$200,000

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Anne Crealock*

## **FIRE FOUNDRY FUEL CREW WORK ON EXISTING PROJECTS, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

All Member Agencies

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate Vegetation Management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal requests the allocation of JPA wide funds to support priority vegetation management projects across the five MWPA zones through the deployment of the FIRE Foundry Fuels Crew to reduce fire risk, strengthen agency partnerships while enhancing community resiliency and safety. These funds will enable coordinated, cost-effective implementation of critical fuels reduction and wildfire mitigation efforts throughout Marin County.

Under this project the FIRE Foundry Fuels Crew will be assigned to each zone and tasked with completing vegetation management projects as identified by local zone fire and vegetation managers. This flexible, zone-driven approach ensures that resources are directed toward the most urgent and impactful projects.

Utilizing the FIRE Foundry Fuels Crew program, which trains underserved and underrepresented individuals in wildland fire, vegetation management, all-hazard incidents and EMS, will expand existing partnerships and increase opportunities to diversify agency engagement with job seeking individuals.

### Scope of Work

This project will utilize the FIRE Foundry Fuels Crew to perform a wide range of vegetation management activities, including but not limited to:

- Pile building and pile burning
- Vegetation thinning
- Chipping and biomass processing
- Roadside and evacuation route improvements
- Herbicide application
- General hazardous fuels reduction

All necessary equipment—including power tools, chippers, and trucks—will be included in the total project cost.

Project priorities, work locations, and scheduling will be determined by zone Vegetation Specialists and coordinated with the Marin County Fire Department (MCFD).

This JPA wide project request is for \$252,000 for 56 days of Fuels Crew work across all the MWPA zones. As a collaborative partnership, the FIRE Foundry Fuels Crew program can provide proportional cost share by utilizing funds from the Calvolunteers grant. The FY 26-27 daily rate for the FIRE Foundry Fuels Crew (1 Fire Captain, 1 Firefighter, 14 Fuels Crew members, equipment and vehicles) is \$7000/day. Utilizing current Foundry funding the cost to the MWPA would be a reduced amount of \$4500/day. This is a scalable project based on available funds and work locations.

Zone allocation workdays are calculated based on the tax generated revenue percentage to each Marin County zone out of the proposed 56 workdays.

The work project budget and proposed zone allocation:

- Novato Zone: 14 days
- San Rafael Zone: 14 days
- Central Marin Zone: 10 days
- Southern Marin Zone: 10 days
- West Marin Zone: 8 days

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of Marin Wildfire

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This proposal supports vegetation management throughout the jurisdiction of Marin Wildfire and supports workforce development in wildfire and related fields.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” including Strategies 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” and “Roadside Clearance,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$252,000

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Anne Crealock*

# Central Marin Zone Proposals

## Central Marin Zone Budget Summary

<b>Town of Corte Madera Local and DSpace Proposals</b>			
	Local	DSpace	Core
Corte Madera Invasive Vegetation Treatment Program, 2026-27	\$ 97,890.34	\$ -	\$ -
Corte Madera Defensible Space Voluntary Abatement Program, 2026-27	\$ 97,890.35	\$ -	\$ -
Corte Madera Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ 195,780.69	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 195,780.69	\$ 195,780.69	\$ -
AVAILABLE	\$ 195,780.69	\$ 195,780.69	\$ -
<b>Town of Fairfax Local and DSpace Proposals</b>			
	Local	DSpace	Core
Fairfax Invasive Vegetation Treatment Program 2026-27	\$ 77,814.82	\$ -	\$ -
Wildfire Preparedness Coordinator (partial funding)	\$ 39,412.91	\$ -	\$ -
Fairfax Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program 2026-27	\$ -	\$ 117,227.73	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 117,227.73	\$ 117,227.73	\$ -
AVAILABLE	\$ 117,227.73	\$ 117,227.73	\$ -
<b>Kentfield Fire District Local and DSpace Proposals</b>			
	Local	DSpace	Core
Kentfield FD Defensible Space Voluntary Abatement Program, 2026-27	\$ 45,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Kentfield FD Invasive Vegetation Treatment Program, 2026-27	\$ 43,368.00	\$ -	\$ -
Kentfield FD Fire Smart Demonstration Garden, 2026-27	\$ 21,021.00	\$ -	\$ -
Kentfield FD Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program, 2026-27 (Local cost share)	\$ 49,049.23	\$ -	\$ -
Kentfield FD Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program, 2026-27 (DSpace cost share)	\$ -	\$ 158,438.23	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 158,438.23	\$ 158,438.23	\$ -
AVAILABLE	\$ 158,438.23	\$ 158,438.23	\$ -

<b>City of Larkspur Local and DSpace Proposals</b>			
	Local	DSpace	Core
Larkspur Defensible Space Voluntary Abatement Program, 2026-27	\$ 124,531.04	\$ -	\$ -
Larkspur Invasive Vegetation Treatment Program, 2026-27	\$ 124,531.05	\$ -	\$ -
Larkspur Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ 249,062.09	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 249,062.09	\$ 249,062.09	\$ -
AVAILABLE	\$ 249,062.09	\$ 249,062.09	\$ -
<b>Town of Ross Local and DSpace Proposals</b>			
	Local	DSpace	Core
Ross Invasive Vegetation Treatment Program, 2026-27	\$ 51,124.69	\$ -	\$ -
Wildfire Preparedness Coordinator (partial funding)	\$ 13,642.93	\$ -	\$ -
Ross Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ 64,767.82	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 64,767.82	\$ 64,767.82	\$ -
AVAILABLE	\$ 64,767.82	\$ 64,767.82	\$ -
<b>Town of San Anselmo Local and DSpace Proposals</b>			
	Local	DSpace	Core
San Anselmo Invasive Vegetation Treatment Program, 2026-27	\$ 164,437.22	\$ -	\$ -
Wildfire Preparedness Coordinator (partial funding)	\$ 54,571.73	\$ -	\$ -
San Anselmo Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ 219,008.95	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 219,009.95	\$ 219,009.95	\$ -
AVAILABLE	\$ 219,009.95	\$ 219,009.95	\$ -
<b>Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District Local and DSpace Proposals</b>			
	Local	DSpace	Core
Sleepy Hollow DSpace Direct Assistance Program, 2026-27	\$ 40,698.91	\$ -	\$ -
Wildfire Preparedness Coordinator (partial funding), 2026/27	\$ 13,642.93	\$ -	\$ -
Sleepy Hollow Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ 54,340.84	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 54,340.84	\$ 54,340.84	\$ -
AVAILABLE	\$ 54,340.84	\$ 54,340.84	\$ -

<b>Central Marin Zone Core Proposals</b>			
	Local	DSpace	Core
Central Zone Open Space Flashy Fuels Management, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 158,887.35
Greater Ross Valley Defensible Space and Home Hardening Evaluation and Inspection Program - Supplemental Funding, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 285,997.23
Central Marin Zone Evacuation Route Core Project Implementation, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 190,664.82
Greater Ross Valley Shaded Fuel Break, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 953,324.09
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$1,588,873.48
AVAILABLE	\$ -	\$ -	\$1,588,873.48

*Note: In addition to the projects and programs listed in the FY2026-27 Work Plan, member agencies may also continue to implement and maintain projects or programs from previous work plans with unspent funds.*

# Town of Corte Madera Local and Defensible Space Proposals

## CORTE MADERA INVASIVE VEGETATION TREATMENT PROGRAM, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Town of Corte Madera

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Larkspur, Town of Corte Madera

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

The Town of Corte Madera, in cooperation with the City of Larkspur and Central Marin Fire Department (as Lead Agency) propose continued implementation of a vegetation management program intended to reduce invasive, non native fire hazardous vegetation that, when impacted by wildfire, might threaten structures or impede ingress and egress on evacuation routes. Project work is differentiated from other (core funded) project proposals by focusing primarily on removal of broom, acacia, eucalyptus, and associated dead biomass. The project will enhance the health of native forest and plant communities health through removal of competing invasive plants.

### *Geographic Scope*

This program will occur exclusively in the designated Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) areas of the jurisdiction of Central Marin Fire Department, within the limits of the Town of Corte Madera and the City of Larkspur (including incorporated Greenbrae, where addresses are in the City of Larkspur). There are approximately 4,000 inhabited structures in the WUI of Corte Madera, Greenbrae, and Larkspur. Project work will be, primarily, within 10 ft of roadways and/or 150 ft of structures.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The program will reduce vegetation ignition potential within the Home Ignition Zone of habitable structures, and reduce the amount of heat, smoke, and embers generated near structures and ingress/egress routes during wildfires. The program will further improve the safety of firefighters while engaged in structure protection and fire suppression during wildfires, and increase the likelihood that structures will be saved by protective and fire suppression actions. The project will reduce long term maintenance costs associated with hazard mitigation and vegetation treatment projects by reducing and controlling non native, invasive fire hazardous vegetation.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.4, "Defensible Space," and 8.5, "Non-residential Vegetation Management."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "Vegetation Management Near Communities" and "Roadside Clearance."

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$97,890.34

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Todd Lando*

## **CORTE MADERA DEFENSIBLE SPACE VOLUNTARY ABATEMENT PROGRAM, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Town of Corte Madera

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Larkspur, Town of Corte Madera

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.2 Create and maintain appropriate defensible space on all parcels

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Grant Program

### *Project Description Summary*

The Town of Corte Madera, in cooperation with the City of Larkspur and Central Marin Fire Department (as Lead Agency) propose continued implementation of a Defensible Space Voluntary Abatement Program that will provide direct assistance to property owners in need of vegetation management to improve defensible space, specifically to to comply with requirements outlined in the CA Public Resources Code, CA Government Code, and CA Fire Code. Fire Department personnel and Defensible Space Inspectors will identify properties in need, provide an initial assessment and list of actions required to meet standards, and determine a mitigation solution based on potential hazard, defensible space guidelines, and environmental best management practices. Participation in the program will be voluntary, and Central Marin Fire will offer grants of 25% to 100% of the actual contracted cost to mitigate hazards. Central Marin Fire Department will select and pay contractors directly, and/or reimburse property owners when sufficient documentation is provided. All program work will occur within 150ft of structures or 10ft of roadways as required by CA Fire Code sections 4907.2 and 4908 (as amended and adopted by the Town of Corte Madera and City of Larkspur).

### *Geographic Scope*

This program will occur exclusively in the designated Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) areas of the jurisdiction of Central Marin Fire Department, within the limits of the City of Larkspur (including incorporated Greenbrae, where addresses are in the City of Larkspur). There are approximately

4,000 inhabited structures in the WUI of Corte Madera, Greenbrae, and Larkspur. All project work will occur within 150 ft of structures or 10 ft of roadways as required by CA Fire Code sections 4907.2 and 4908 (as amended and adopted by the Town of Corte Madera and City of Larkspur).

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The program will reduce vegetation ignition potential within the Home Ignition Zone of habitable structures, and reduce the amount of heat, smoke, and embers generated near structures and ingress/egress routes during wildfires. The program will further improve the safety of firefighters while engaged in structure protection and fire suppression during wildfires, and increase the likelihood that structures will be saved by protective and fire suppression actions. The project will reduce long term maintenance costs associated with hazard mitigation and vegetation treatment projects by reducing and controlling non native, invasive fire hazardous vegetation.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$97,890.35

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Todd Lando*

## **CORTE MADERA DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTION AND EVALUATION PROGRAM, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Town of Corte Madera

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Larkspur, Kentfield Fire District, County of Marin Fire, Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District, Town of Corte Madera, Town of Fairfax, Town of Ross, Town of San Anselmo

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

DSpace Evaluations

### *Project Description Summary*

Town of Corte Madera, in cooperation with the Marin Defensible Space Alliance (Marin DSA), proposes continued implementation of a Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program that will inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for potential wildfire hazards. Funding will support the Marin DSA, including shared program cost, the Hazard Mitigation Specialist at CMFD, Fire Inspector and staff time committed to defensible space and wildfire hazard evaluations, and necessary hardware, tools, vehicles, and other program related costs.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Town of Corte Madera

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Defensible space inspections are an essential component of fire adapted communities.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$195,780.69

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Todd Lando*

# Town of Fairfax Local and Defensible Space Proposals

## FAIRFAX INVASIVE VEGETATION TREATMENT PROGRAM, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Town of Fairfax

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.3 Maintain appropriate roadside vegetation management

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Evacuation Routes

### *Project Description Summary*

The Town of Fairfax and Ross Valley Fire Department (as Lead Agency) propose continued implementation of a vegetation management program intended to reduce invasive, non native fire hazardous vegetation that, when impacted by wildfire, might threaten structures or impede ingress and egress on evacuation routes. Project work is differentiated from other (core funded) project proposals by focusing primarily on removal of broom, acacia, eucalyptus, and associated dead biomass. The project will enhance the health of native forest and plant communities health through removal of competing invasive plants.

Work sites will be identified in a manner consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, with the objective of maximizing public safety during evacuations, protecting structures, and ecological benefit. Project work will be, primarily, within 10 ft of roadways and/or 200 ft of structures or greater distances where topographical or vegetation fuel conditions necessitate greater treatment distances to achieve project goals. Work will be directed by Ross Valley Fire Department, and conducted by local tree service and vegetation management contractors.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Town of Fairfax

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Vegetation management is a key component of Fire Adapted Communities. This program does not in and of itself create fire adapted communities, but will enhance an important component.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.4, “Defensible Space,” and 8.5, “Non-residential Vegetation Management.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$77,814.82

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Nicole Marcucci*

## **WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS COORDINATOR (FAIRFAX COST-SHARE), 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Town of Fairfax

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District, Town of San Anselmo, Town of Ross

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Public Outreach and Education

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Staffing

### *Project Description Summary / Position Description:*

Job Title : Wildfire Preparedness Coordinator

Job Description : With the Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority (MWPA) mission as a guideline, under general direction, this position serves as Ross Valley Fire Department's Wildfire Preparedness Coordinator for a range of activities associated with wildfire related emergency preparedness and prevention. They will be responsible for Vegetation Management Projects, Detection/Alert/Evacuation Projects, Public Outreach/Education, Defensible Space/Home Hardening Education and maintenance, education, and implementation of emergency preparedness programs. At times, emergency preparedness topics may include but are not limited to fires, floods, earthquakes, and life saving skills. This position may perform other related work as required.

Detection/Alert/Evacuation: Coordinate with local agencies with the planning and implementation of; Maintain state of the art fire detection and monitoring systems, Encourage redundant Information, Alert and warning systems for all residents & visitors, Provide resources and best practices to improve the safety of evacuation routes, Support partnership between fire, law enforcement and public works to plan and train for evacuation, Establish and maintain formal Temporary Refuge Areas (TRAs), Provide resources and best practices to identify and support Access & Functional Needs (AFN) residents evacuation planning, Provide resources and best practices for Evacuation Needs and Planning of Pets and Large animals. Vegetation Management:

Coordinate with local agencies with the planning and implementation of; Maintaining appropriate Vegetation Management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands, maintaining appropriate Vegetation Management in the wildlands, maintaining appropriate Roadside Vegetation Management, and maintaining appropriate Fire Roads Vegetation Management.

Public Outreach/Education: Conduct outreach and education activities in support of; Detection, Alert and Evacuation, Defensible Space, and Home Hardening, provide inclusive outreach and education activities for unique needs communities. Coordination with Fire Safe Marin will be imperative. Coordinate the development, implementation, and maintenance of various community-based emergency preparedness programs (i.e., Fire Safe Marin, Fire Wise Communities, Neighborhood Response Groups, Get Ready, CERT, and Disaster Councils). Coordinate the development of emergency prevention and emergency management public education programs and materials among Towns and District. Present and assist in presenting community resiliency and emergency preparedness public education and training programs; speak to groups of various ages, educational levels, and socio-economic backgrounds.

Defensible Space/Home Hardening: Conduct outreach and education activities as they relate to the Defensible Space Inspection program objectives of; Reducing structural ignitability, Creating and maintaining appropriate defensible space on all parcels, providing resources and best practices on fire adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement. Grants: Conduct outreach and education activities, as they relate to the MWPA grant programs to include but not limited to; the creation of defensible space, hardening of structures and homes, fire adapted landscapes or other grant opportunities through various agencies that are beneficial to supporting the definition of this position. Seek and participate in the development of various emergency management grants. Identify grant opportunities and seek funding specific to this position.

Administrative: Prepare accurate graphics, records, and reports; maintain accurate records and files. Utilize standard personal computer software, including word processing and spreadsheet programs; develop various forms, reports, and statistical analysis; and use software tools to evaluate program effectiveness and develop alternative solutions. Maintain accurate records and files; prepare various statistical and narrative reports, including incident status reports for reimbursement by state and federal agencies. Provide consultation services and evaluations regarding wildfire preparedness. Work with community volunteers, coordinate their activities, provide instructions and motivation, ensure volunteer activities are effective, and provide appropriate recognition. Coordinate with federal, state, county, cities, towns, and other local emergency management organizations, as well as the public and stakeholders, to gain and maintain effective working relationships and communication. Serve as a support team member in the Emergency Operations Centers during an emergency or disaster response situations. In emergencies, the employee may be required to work under significant pressure, be subjected to extended work hours, and be on call in case of emergencies. Required to work on some weekends and evenings; work at any location in the County; attend meetings and classes both; work under various adverse and hazardous conditions; perform routine and repetitive work; personally

maintain all certifications and licenses required for job class, assist in training agency employees; wear uniform; and maintain clean and neat appearance.

Note: The following duties are performed by employees in this classification. However, employees may perform other related duties at an equivalent level.

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Town of Fairfax

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This position promotes education to residents to reduce wildfire risk; conducts planning, implementation, and monitoring of vegetation management projects; and pursues other projects and programs to promote fire-adapted communities.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This position implements projects and programs consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, “Defensible Space,” especially Recommended Action, 4.4, “Continue to encourage and support grazing to reduce fuels in appropriate areas;” 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management;” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this position supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$39,412.91

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Nicole Marcucci*



## **FAIRFAX DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTION AND EVALUATION PROGRAM, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Town of Fairfax

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Larkspur, Kentfield Fire District, County of Marin Fire, Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District, Town of Corte Madera, Town of Fairfax, Town of San Anselmo

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.1 Reduce structural ignitability

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

DSpace Evaluations

### *Project Description Summary*

The Town of Fairfax, in cooperation with the Ross Valley Fire Department (as Lead Agency) proposes continued implementation of a Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program that will inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for potential wildfire hazards. The program will document existing conditions, recommend mitigation measures, and enforce existing codes and ordinances related to vegetation management, defensible space, and structural hardening. The program will provide community education, and support and integrate with other local and Marin Wildfire funded programs such as Chipper Days, Seasonal Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluations, Defensible Space Grants, evacuation preparedness, Evacuation Route Vegetation Management, and Invasive Vegetation Treatment.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Town of Fairfax

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Defensible space inspections are an essential component of fire adapted communities.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$117,227.73

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Nicole Marcucci*

# Kentfield Fire District Local and Defensible Space Proposals

## **KENTFIELD FD DEFENSIBLE SPACE VOLUNTARY ABATEMENT PROGRAM, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Kentfield Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

Kentfield Fire District, Private Landowners

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.2 Create and maintain appropriate defensible space on all parcels

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

The Kentfield Fire District (as Lead Agency) proposes continued implementation of a Defensible Space Voluntary Abatement Program that will provide direct assistance to property owners in need of vegetation management to improve defensible space, specifically to comply with requirements outlined in the CA Public Resources Code, CA Government Code, and CA Fire Code. Fire Department personnel and Defensible Space Inspectors will identify properties in need, provide an initial assessment and list of actions required to meet standards, and determine a mitigation solution based on potential hazard, defensible space guidelines, and environmental best management practices. Participation in the program will be voluntary, and Kentfield Fire District will offer grants of 25% to 100% of the actual contracted cost to mitigate hazards. Kentfield Fire District will reimburse property owners when sufficient documentation is provided. All program work will occur within 150 ft of structures or 10 ft of roadways as required by CA Fire Code sections 4907.2 and 4908 (as amended and adopted by the Kentfield Fire District).

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of Kenfield Fire District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The program will reduce vegetation ignition potential within the Home Ignition Zone of habitable structures, and reduce the amount of heat, smoke, and embers generated near structures and ingress/egress routes during wildfires. The program will further improve the safety of firefighters while engaged in structure protection and fire suppression during wildfires, and increase the likelihood that structures will be saved by protective and fire suppression actions. The project will reduce long term maintenance costs associated with hazard mitigation and vegetation treatment projects by reducing and controlling non native, invasive fire hazardous vegetation.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$45,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Larry Pasero*

## KENTFIELD FD INVASIVE VEGETATION TREATMENT PROGRAM, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Kentfield Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

The Kentfield Fire District (as Lead Agency) proposes continued implementation of a vegetation management program intended to reduce invasive, non-native fire hazardous vegetation that, when impacted by wildfire, might threaten structures or impede ingress and egress on evacuation routes. Project work is differentiated from other (core funded) project proposals by focusing primarily on removal of broom, acacia, eucalyptus, and associated dead biomass. The project will enhance the health of native forest and plant communities health through removal of competing invasive plants.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Kentfield Fire District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The program will reduce vegetation ignition potential within the Home Ignition Zone of habitable structures, and reduce the amount of heat, smoke, and embers generated near structures and ingress/egress routes during wildfires. The program will further improve the safety of firefighters while engaged in structure protection and fire suppression during wildfires, and increase the likelihood that structures will be saved by protective and fire suppression actions. The project will

reduce long term maintenance costs associated with hazard mitigation and vegetation treatment projects by reducing and controlling non native, invasive fire hazardous vegetation.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.4, “Defensible Space,” and 8.5, “Non-residential Vegetation Management.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$43,368.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Larry Pasero*

## KENTFIELD FD FIRE SMART DEMONSTRATION GARDEN, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Kentfield Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 4: Public Outreach and Education

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 4.2 Conduct outreach and education activities in support Goal #5: Defensible Space and Home Hardening

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Public Education

### *Project Description Summary*

This Fire Smart Demonstration Garden project will maintain the fire smart demonstration garden at the Kentfield Fire District's Station 17 Building. Project focus is to model best practices for a Fire Smart landscape choices. The location of Fire Station 17 provides the opportunity and visibility to model best practices with the location's exposure to Sir Francis Drake Boulevard and College of Marin Campus. The project primarily renews the landscaping with plant choices that are Fire Smart, low water use, and high habitat value. Priority will be given to native species that perform well in a garden environment and are commercially available at local retailers. The project includes interpretive signage used for public education specific to plantings and materials at the site.

### *Geographic Scope*

Kentfield Fire District's Station 17 Building

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The project will provide examples of best practices for landscape and hardscape materials and practices including the treat of Zone 0 located within 0 to 5 ft of structures. Zone 0 reduces the likelihood of structure ignition by reducing the potential for direct ignition of the structure from flame contact, by embers that accumulate at the base of a wall, and/or indirect ignitions when embers ignite vegetation, vegetative debris or other combustible materials located close to the structure that result in either a radiant heat and/or a direct flame contact exposure to the structure.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$21,021.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Larry Pasero*

## **KENTFIELD FD DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTION AND EVALUATION PROGRAM, 2026/27 (LOCAL COST SHARE)**

### *Lead Agency*

Kentfield Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

DSpace Evaluations

### *Project Description Summary*

Kentfield Fire District, in cooperation with the Greater Ross Valley (Central Zone), and West Marin Fire Agencies, proposes continued implementation of a Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program that will inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for potential wildfire hazards. Funding will support the Greater Ross Valley and West Marin Fire Agencies Marin Defensible Space Alliance, including shared program cost, the Deputy Fire Marshal and Seasonal Defensible Space Inspector time committed to defensible space and wildfire hazard evaluations, and necessary hardware, tools, vehicles, and other program related costs.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Kentfield Fire District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Defensible space inspections are an essential component of fire adapted communities.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$49,049.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Larry Pasero*

## KENTFIELD FD DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTION AND EVALUATION PROGRAM, 2026/27 (DSpace COST SHARE)

### *Lead Agency*

Kentfield Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

DSpace Evaluations

### *Project Description Summary*

Kentfield Fire District, in cooperation with the Greater Ross Valley (Central Zone), and West Marin Fire Agencies, proposes continued implementation of a Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program that will inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for potential wildfire hazards. Funding will support the Greater Ross Valley and West Marin Fire Agencies Marin Defensible Space Alliance, including shared program cost, the Deputy Fire Marshal and Seasonal Defensible Space Inspector time committed to defensible space and wildfire hazard evaluations, and necessary hardware, tools, vehicles, and other program related costs.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Kentfield Fire District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

N/A

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

Home hardening and defensible space evaluations are consistent with the *Marin County CWPP's* purpose to expand and improve defensible space and hardening structures to "reduce fire hazard

and the risk of catastrophic wildfires in the WUI, while promoting the protection and enhancement of the county's economic assets and ecological resources." These activities are addressed in the *Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, *Mitigation Measures and Strategies*, particularly in Strategy 8.1, *Public Education and Community Outreach*, Strategy 8.3, *Reducing Structural Ignitability*, and Strategy 8.4, *Defensible Space*. Home hardening and defensible space evaluations are further addressed in Chapter 9, *Recommendations and Action Plan*.

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$158,438.23

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Larry Pasero*

## City of Larkspur Local and Defensible Space Proposals

### **LARKSPUR DEFENSIBLE SPACE VOLUNTARY ABATEMENT PROGRAM, 2026/27**

#### *Lead Agency*

City of Larkspur

#### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Larkspur, Town of Corte Madera

#### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

#### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.2 Create and maintain appropriate defensible space on all parcels

#### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

#### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

#### *Project Description Summary*

The City of Larkspur, in cooperation with the Town of Corte Madera and Central Marin Fire Department (as Lead Agency) propose continued implementation of a Defensible Space Voluntary Abatement Program that will provide direct assistance to property owners in need of vegetation management to improve defensible space, specifically to comply with requirements outlined in the CA Public Resources Code, CA Government Code, and CA Fire Code. Fire Department personnel and Defensible Space Inspectors will identify properties in need, provide an initial assessment and list of actions required to meet standards, and determine a mitigation solution based on potential hazard, defensible space guidelines, and environmental best management practices. Participation in the program will be voluntary, and Central Marin Fire will offer grants of 25% to 100% of the actual contracted cost to mitigate hazards. Central Marin Fire Department will select and pay contractors directly, and/or reimburse property owners when sufficient documentation is provided. All program work will occur within 150 ft of structures or 10ft of roadways as required by CA Fire Code sections 4907.2 and 4908 (as amended and adopted by the Town of Corte Madera and City of Larkspur).

### *Geographic Scope*

This program will occur exclusively in the designated Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) areas of the jurisdiction of Central Marin Fire Department, within the limits of the City of Larkspur (including incorporated Greenbrae, where addresses are in the City of Larkspur). There are approximately 4,000 inhabited structures in the WUI of Corte Madera, Greenbrae, and Larkspur. All project work will occur within 150 ft of structures or 10 ft of roadways as required by CA Fire Code sections 4907.2 and 4908 (as amended and adopted by the Town of Corte Madera and City of Larkspur).

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The program will reduce vegetation ignition potential within the Home Ignition Zone of habitable structures, and reduce the amount of heat, smoke, and embers generated near structures and ingress/egress routes during wildfires. The program will further improve the safety of firefighters while engaged in structure protection and fire suppression during wildfires, and increase the likelihood that structures will be saved by protective and fire suppression actions. The project will reduce long term maintenance costs associated with hazard mitigation and vegetation treatment projects by reducing and controlling non native, invasive fire hazardous vegetation.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$124,531.04

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Todd Lando*

## **LARKSPUR INVASIVE VEGETATION TREATMENT PROGRAM, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of Larkspur

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Larkspur, Town of Corte Madera

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

The City of Larkspur, in cooperation with the Town of Corte Madera and Central Marin Fire Department (as Lead Agency) proposes continued implementation of a vegetation management program intended to reduce invasive, non-native fire hazardous vegetation that, when impacted by wildfire, might threaten structures or impede ingress and egress on evacuation routes. Project work is differentiated from other (core funded) project proposals by focusing primarily on removal of broom, acacia, eucalyptus, and associated dead biomass. The project will enhance the health of native forest and plant communities health through removal of competing invasive plants.

### *Geographic Scope*

This program will occur exclusively in the designated Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) areas of the jurisdiction of Central Marin Fire Department, within the limits of the Town of Corte Madera and the City of Larkspur (including incorporated Greenbrae, where addresses are in the City of Larkspur). There are approximately 4,000 inhabited structures in the WUI of Corte Madera, Greenbrae, and Larkspur. Project work will be, primarily, within 10 ft of roadways and/or 150 ft of structures.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The program will reduce vegetation ignition potential within the Home Ignition Zone of habitable structures, and reduce the amount of heat, smoke, and embers generated near structures and ingress/egress routes during wildfires. The program will further improve the safety of firefighters

while engaged in structure protection and fire suppression during wildfires, and increase the likelihood that structures will be saved by protective and fire suppression actions. The project will reduce long term maintenance costs associated with hazard mitigation and vegetation treatment projects by reducing and controlling non native, invasive fire hazardous vegetation.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.4, “Defensible Space,” and 8.5, “Non-residential Vegetation Management.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$124,531.05

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Todd Lando*

## **LARKSPUR DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTION AND EVALUATION PROGRAM, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of Larkspur

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Larkspur, Kentfield Fire District, County of Marin Fire, Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District, Town of Corte Madera, Town of Fairfax, Town of Ross, Town of San Anselmo

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

Dspace Evaluations

### *Project Description Summary*

City of Larkspur, in cooperation with the Greater Ross Valley and West Marin Fire Agencies, proposes continued implementation of a Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program that will inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for potential wildfire hazards. Funding will support the Greater Ross Valley and West Marin Fire Agencies consortium, including shared program cost, the Hazard Mitigation Specialist at CMFD, Fire Inspector time committed to defensible space and wildfire hazard evaluations, and necessary hardware, tools, vehicles, and other program related costs.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of Larkspur

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Defensible space inspections are an essential component of fire adapted communities.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$249,062.09

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Todd Lando*

# Town of Ross Local and Defensible Space Proposals

## ROSS INVASIVE VEGETATION TREATMENT PROGRAM, 2026/27

*Lead Agency*

Town of Ross

*Partner Agency(ies)*

*Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

*Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

*Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

*Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

*Project Description Summary*

The Town of Ross and Ross Valley Fire Department (as Lead Agency) propose continued implementation of a vegetation management program intended to reduce invasive, non native fire hazardous vegetation that, when impacted by wildfire, might threaten structures or impede ingress and egress on evacuation routes. Project work is differentiated from other (core funded) project proposals by focusing primarily on removal of broom, acacia, eucalyptus, and associated dead biomass. The project will enhance the health of native forest and plant communities health through removal of competing invasive plants.

Work sites will be identified in a manner consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, with the objective of maximizing public safety during evacuations, protecting structures, and ecological benefit. Project work will be, primarily, within 10 feet of roadways and/or 200 feet of structures or greater distances where topographical or vegetation fuel conditions necessitate greater treatment distances to achieve project goals. Work will be directed by Ross Valley Fire Department, and conducted by local tree service and vegetation management contractors focusing on winter timeframes outside of nesting season.

### *Geographic Scope*

This program will occur exclusively in the designated Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) areas of the jurisdiction of Ross Valley Fire Department, within the limits of the Town of Ross. There are approximately 800 inhabited structures in the WUI of Ross.

Project work will be, primarily, within 10 feet of roadways and/or 200 feet of structures or greater distances where topographical or vegetation fuel conditions necessitate greater treatment distances to achieve project goals of treating invasive plants.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Vegetation management is a key component of Fire Adapted Communities. This program does not in and of itself create a fire adapted communities, but will enhance an important component.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.4, "Defensible Space," and 8.5, "Non-residential Vegetation Management."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "Vegetation Management Near Communities" and "Roadside Clearance."

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$51,124.69

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Robert Bastianon*

## **WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS COORDINATOR (ROSS COST-SHARE), 2026/27**

*Lead Agency*

Town of Ross

*Partner Agency(ies)*

Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District, Town of Fairfax, Town of San Anselmo

*Primary Goal Addressed*

Public Outreach and Education

*Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

*Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

*Proposal Category*

Staffing

*Project Description Summary / Position Description:*

**Job Title : Wildfire Preparedness Coordinator**

**Job Description :** With the Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority (Marin Wildfire) mission as a guideline, under general direction, this position serves as Ross Valley Fire Department's Wildfire Preparedness Coordinator for a range of activities associated with wildfire related emergency preparedness and prevention. They will be responsible for Vegetation Management Projects, Detection/Alert/Evacuation Projects, Public Outreach/Education, Defensible Space/Home Hardening Education and maintenance, education, and implementation of emergency preparedness programs. At times, emergency preparedness topics may include but are not limited to fires, floods, earthquakes, and life saving skills. This position may perform other related work as required.

**Detection/Alert/Evacuation:** Coordinate with local agencies with the planning and implementation of; Maintain state of the art fire detection and monitoring systems, Encourage redundant Information, Alert and warning systems for all residents & visitors, Provide resources and best practices to improve the safety of evacuation routes, Support partnership between fire, law enforcement and public works to plan and train for evacuation, Establish and maintain formal Temporary Refuge Areas (TRAs), Provide resources and best practices to identify and support Access & Functional Needs (AFN) residents evacuation planning, Provide resources and best practices for Evacuation Needs and Planning of Pets and Large animals.

Vegetation Management: Coordinate with local agencies with the planning and implementation of; Maintaining appropriate Vegetation Management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands, maintaining appropriate Vegetation Management in the wildlands, maintaining appropriate Roadside Vegetation Management, and maintaining appropriate Fire Roads Vegetation Management.

Public Outreach/Education: Conduct outreach and education activities in support of; Detection, Alert and Evacuation, Defensible Space, and Home Hardening, provide inclusive outreach and education activities for unique needs communities. Coordination with Fire Safe Marin will be imperative. Coordinate the development, implementation, and maintenance of various community-based emergency preparedness programs (i.e., Fire Safe Marin, Fire Wise Communities, Neighborhood Response Groups, Get Ready, CERT, and Disaster Councils). Coordinate the development of emergency prevention and emergency management public education programs and materials among Towns and District. Present and assist in presenting community resiliency and emergency preparedness public education and training programs; speak to groups of various ages, educational levels, and socio-economic backgrounds. Defensible Space/Home Hardening: Conduct outreach and education activities as they relate to the Defensible Space Inspection program objectives of; Reducing structural ignitability, Creating and maintaining appropriate defensible space on all parcels, providing resources and best practices on fire adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement. Grants: Conduct outreach and education activities, as they relate to the Marin Wildfire grant programs to include but not limited to; the creation of defensible, hardening of structures and homes, fire adapted landscapes or other grant opportunities through various agencies that are beneficial to supporting the definition of this position. Seek and participate in the development of various emergency management grants. Identify grant opportunities and seek funding specific to this position.

Administrative: Prepare accurate graphics, records, and reports; maintain accurate records and files. Utilize standard personal computer software, including word processing and spreadsheet programs; develop various forms, reports, and statistical analysis; and use software tools to evaluate program effectiveness and develop alternative solutions. Maintain accurate records and files; prepare various statistical and narrative reports, including incident status reports for reimbursement by state and federal agencies. Provide consultation services and evaluations regarding wildfire preparedness. Work with community volunteers, coordinate their activities, provide instructions and motivation, ensure volunteer activities are effective, and provide appropriate recognition. Coordinate with federal, state, county, cities, towns, and other local emergency management organizations, as well as the public and stakeholders, to gain and maintain effective working relationships and communication. Serve as a support team member in the Emergency Operations Centers during an emergency or disaster response situations. In emergencies, the employee may be required to work under significant pressure, be subjected to extended work hours, and be on call in case of emergencies. Required to work on some weekends and evenings; work at any location in the County; attend meetings and classes both; work under various adverse and hazardous conditions; perform routine and repetitive work; personally maintain all certifications and licenses required for job class, assist in training agency employees; wear uniform; and maintain clean and neat appearance.

Note: The following duties are performed by employees in this classification. However, employees may perform other related duties at an equivalent level.

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Town of Ross

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This position promotes education to residents to reduce wildfire risk; conducts planning, implementation, and monitoring of vegetation management projects; and pursues other projects and programs to promote fire-adapted communities.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This position implements projects and programs consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, “Defensible Space,” especially Recommended Action, 4.4, “Continue to encourage and support grazing to reduce fuels in appropriate areas;” 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management;” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this position supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$13,642.93

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Nicole Marcucci*

## **ROSS DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTION AND EVALUATION PROGRAM, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Town of Ross

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Larkspur, City of Mill Valley, Kentfield Fire District, County of Marin Fire, Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District, Southern Marin Fire Protection District, Town of Corte Madera, Town of Fairfax, Town of San Anselmo

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.1 Reduce structural ignitability

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

DSpace Evaluations

### *Project Description Summary*

The Town of Ross, in cooperation with the Ross Valley Fire Department (as Lead Agency) proposes continued implementation of a Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program that will inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for potential wildfire hazards. The program will document existing conditions, recommend mitigation measures, and enforce existing codes and ordinances related to vegetation management, defensible space, and structural hardening. The program will provide community education, and support and integrate with other local and Marin Wildfire funded programs such as Chipper Days, Seasonal Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluations, Defensible Space Grants, evacuation preparedness, Evacuation Route Vegetation Management, and Invasive Vegetation Treatment.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Town of Ross

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The program will reduce vegetation ignition potential within the Home Ignition Zone of habitable structures, and reduce the amount of heat, smoke, and embers generated near structures and ingress/egress routes during wildfires. The program will further improve the safety of firefighters

while engaged in structure protection and fire suppression during wildfires, and increase the likelihood that structures will be saved by protective and fire suppression actions. The project will reduce long term maintenance costs associated with hazard mitigation and vegetation treatment projects by reducing and controlling non native, invasive fire hazardous vegetation.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$64,767.82

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Robert Bastianon*

# Town of San Anselmo Local and Defensible Space Proposals

## SAN ANSELMO INVASIVE VEGETATION TREATMENT PROGRAM, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Town of San Anselmo

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.3 Maintain appropriate roadside vegetation management

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Evacuation Routes

### *Project Description Summary*

The Town of Anselmo and Ross Valley Fire Department (as Lead Agency) propose continued implementation of a vegetation management program intended to reduce invasive, non-native fire hazardous vegetation that, when impacted by wildfire, might threaten structures or impede ingress and egress on evacuation routes. Project work is differentiated from other (core funded) project proposals by focusing primarily on removal of broom, acacia, eucalyptus, and associated dead biomass. The project will enhance the health of native forest and plant communities through removal of competing invasive plants. Work sites will be identified in a manner consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* and *2026 Marin County CWPP*, with the objective of maximizing public safety during evacuations, protecting structures, and ecological benefit. Project work will be, primarily, within 10 feet of roadways and/or 200 feet of structures or greater distances where topographical or vegetation fuel conditions necessitate greater treatment distances to achieve project goals. Work will be directed by Ross Valley Fire Department and conducted by local tree service and vegetation management contractors.

### *Geographic Scope*

This program will occur exclusively in the designated Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) areas of the jurisdiction of Ross Valley Fire Department, within the limits of the Town of San Anselmo. There are approximately 2,500 inhabited structures in the WUI of San Anselmo. Project work will be, primarily, within 10 feet of roadways and/or 200 feet of structures.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Vegetation management is a key component of Fire Adapted Communities. This program does not in and of itself create fire adapted communities, but will enhance an important component.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.4, "Defensible Space," and 8.5, "Non-residential Vegetation Management."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "Vegetation Management Near Communities" and "Roadside Clearance."

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$164,437.22

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Robert Bastianon*

## **WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS COORDINATOR (SAN ANSELMO COST-SHARE), 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Town of San Anselmo

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District, Town of Fairfax, Town of Ross

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Public Outreach and Education

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Staffing

### *Project Description Summary / Position Description:*

Job Title : Wildfire Preparedness Coordinator

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Coordinate with local agencies with the planning and implementation of; Maintaining appropriate Vegetation Management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands, maintaining appropriate Vegetation Management in the wildlands, maintaining appropriate Roadside Vegetation Management, and maintaining appropriate Fire Roads Vegetation Management.

Public Outreach/Education: Conduct outreach and education activities in support of; Detection, Alert and Evacuation, Defensible Space, and Home Hardening, provide inclusive outreach and education activities for unique needs communities. Coordination with Fire Safe Marin will be imperative. Coordinate the development, implementation, and maintenance of various community-based emergency preparedness programs (i.e., Fire Safe Marin, Fire Wise Communities, Neighborhood Response Groups, Get Ready, CERT, and Disaster Councils). Coordinate the development of emergency prevention and emergency management public education programs and materials among Towns and District. Present and assist in presenting community resiliency and emergency preparedness public education and training programs; speak to groups of various ages, educational levels, and socio-economic backgrounds. Defensible Space/Home Hardening: Conduct outreach and education activities as they relate to the Defensible Space Inspection program objectives of; Reducing structural ignitability, Creating and maintaining appropriate defensible space on all parcels, providing resources and best practices on fire adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement. Grants: Conduct outreach and education activities, as they relate to the Marin Wildfire grant programs to include but not limited to; the creation of defensible, hardening of structures and homes, fire adapted landscapes or other grant opportunities through various agencies that are beneficial to supporting the definition of this position. Seek and participate in the development of various emergency management grants. Identify grant opportunities and seek funding specific to this position.

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Note: The following duties are performed by employees in this classification. However, employees may perform other related duties at an equivalent level.

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Town of San Anselmo

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This position promotes education to residents to reduce wildfire risk; conducts planning, implementation, and monitoring of vegetation management projects; and pursues other projects and programs to promote fire-adapted communities.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This position implements projects and programs consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, "Defensible Space," especially Recommended Action, 4.4, "Continue to encourage and support grazing to reduce fuels in appropriate areas;" 8.5, "Non-Residential Vegetation Management;" and 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this position supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "On-parcel Risk Reduction," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," and "Evacuation Planning." In particular, this proposal supports "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Vegetation Management in Open Space," and "Roadside Clearance."

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$54,571.73

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Nicole Marcucci*

# **SAN ANSELMO DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTION AND EVALUATION PROGRAM, 2026/27**

## *Lead Agency*

Town of San Anselmo

## *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Larkspur, Kentfield Fire District, County of Marin Fire, Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District, Town of Corte Madera, Town of Fairfax, Town of San Anselmo

## *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

## *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.1 Reduce structural ignitability

## *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

## *Proposal Category*

DSpace Evaluations

## *Project Description Summary*

The Town of San Anselmo, in cooperation with the Ross Valley Fire Department (as Lead Agency) proposes continued implementation of a Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program that will inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for potential wildfire hazards. The program will document existing conditions, recommend mitigation measures, and enforce existing codes and ordinances related to vegetation management, defensible space, and structural hardening. The program will provide community education, and support and integrate with other local and Marin Wildfire funded programs such as Chipper Days, Seasonal Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluations, Defensible Space Grants, evacuation preparedness, Evacuation Route Vegetation Management, and Invasive Vegetation Treatment.

## *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Town of San Anselmo

## *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Defensible space inspections are an essential component of fire adapted communities.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$219,008.95

Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | *Nicole Marcucci*

# Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District Local and Defensible Space Proposals

## SLEEPY HOLLOW DSPACE DIRECT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

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### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Grant Program

### *Project Description Summary*

The Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District (SHFPD) proposes a Defensible Space Direct Assistance Program that will provide support to property owners in need of vegetation management to improve defensible space, specifically to comply with requirements outlined in the CA Public Resources Code, CA Government Code, CA Fire Code, and CA Wildland Urban Interface Code. SHFPD staff, Fire Department personnel, and/or Defensible Space Inspectors will identify properties in need, provide an initial assessment and list of actions required to meet standards, and determine a mitigation solution based on potential hazard, defensible space guidelines, and environmental best management practices. Participation in the program will be voluntary. Sleepy Hollow FPD will select and pay contractors directly. All program work will occur within 200 feet of structures or 10 feet of roadways as required by the CA Fire Code and CA Wildland Urban Interface Code (as amended and adopted by the Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District). While this proposal is primarily focused on the reduction of hazardous vegetation around structures, some home hardening work may also be performed if deemed a higher priority by the SHFPD and the Ross Valley Fire Department. 2023 was the second year for the Direct Assistance Program. Feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive. A majority of the participants told the Program Manager and/or SHFPD officials that the Direct Assistance Program was the

primary reason they were "taking action." The Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District will do extensive promotion of the program to ensure that all members of the Sleepy Hollow community are aware of the program and have an opportunity to participate. Part of the funding for this project will be allocated to the Wildfire Preparedness Coordinator position.

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Residential defensible space is a key concept of Fire Adapted Communities. This program does not in and of itself create a fire adapted communities, but will enhance an important component.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

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#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$40,698.91

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Robert Bastianon*

## **WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS COORDINATOR (SLEEPY HOLLOW COST-SHARE), 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

Town of Fairfax, Town of San Anselmo, Town of Ross

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Public Outreach and Education

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Staffing

### *Project Description Summary / Position Description:*

**Job Title :** Wildfire Preparedness Coordinator

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Note: The following duties are performed by employees in this classification. However, employees may perform other related duties at an equivalent level.

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This position promotes education to residents to reduce wildfire risk; conducts planning, implementation, and monitoring of vegetation management projects; and pursues other projects and programs to promote fire-adapted communities.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This position implements projects and programs consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, “Defensible Space,” especially Recommended Action, 4.4, “Continue to encourage and support grazing to reduce fuels in appropriate areas;” 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management;” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this position supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$13,642.93

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Nicole Marcucci*

# SLEEPY HOLLOW DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTION AND EVALUATION PROGRAM, 2026/27

## *Lead Agency*

Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District

## *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Larkspur, City of Mill Valley, Kentfield Fire District, County of Marin Fire, Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District, Southern Marin Fire Protection District, Town of Corte Madera, Town of Fairfax, Town of Ross, Town of San Anselmo

## *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

## *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.1 Reduce structural ignitability

## *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

## *Proposal Category*

DSpace Evaluations

## *Project Description Summary*

The Sleepy Hollow Fire District, in cooperation with the Ross Valley Fire Department (as Lead Agency) proposes a Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program that will inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for potential wildfire hazards. The program will document existing conditions, recommend mitigation measures, and enforce existing codes and ordinances related to vegetation management, defensible space, and structural hardening. The program will provide community education, and support and integrate with other local and Marin Wildfire funded programs such as Chipper Days, Seasonal Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluations, Defensible Space Grants, evacuation preparedness, Evacuation Route Vegetation Management, and Invasive Vegetation Treatment.

## *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District

## *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Defensible space inspections are an essential component of fire adapted communities.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$54,340.84

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Robert Bastianon*

## Central Marin Zone Core Proposals

### **CENTRAL MARIN ZONE OPEN SPACE FLASHY FUELS MANAGEMENT, 2026/27**

#### *Lead Agency*

County of Marin

#### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Larkspur, Kentfield Fire District, County of Marin Fire, Marin County Parks, Marin Water, Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District, Town of Corte Madera, Town of Fairfax, Town of Ross, Town of San Anselmo

#### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

#### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

#### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

#### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

#### *Project Description Summary*

This project includes string trimming, mowing, grazing with goats, sheep, and/or other livestock as appropriate within non-native annual grasslands and oak woodland in the Central Zone to reduce fuel loading and control non native grasses and weeds. Livestock would be contained by a portable, electric fence.

#### *Geographic Scope*

This project will occur on multiple private and public parcels across the Central Zone.

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Fuel breaks adjacent to communities and roadways reduce wildfire intensity and severity and risks to residents and their homes, while improving opportunities for residents to evacuate safely and providing first responders with more opportunities to engage with the fire directly. This project will

help to reduce fine flashy fuels in open space areas adjacent to the built environment. Through reducing fuel height and density, rate of fire spread will be reduced and more suppression efforts are more likely to be successful.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, “Defensible Space,” especially Recommended Action, 4.4, “Continue to encourage and support grazing to reduce fuels in appropriate areas;” 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management;” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Vegetation Management in Open Space.”

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$158,887.35

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Nicole Marcucci*

# GREATER ROSS VALLEY DEFENSIBLE SPACE AND HOME HARDENING EVALUATION AND INSPECTION PROGRAM, SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING, 2026/27

## *Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

## *Partner Agency(ies)*

Bolinas Fire Department, City of Larkspur, Inverness Fire District, Kentfield Fire District, County of Marin Fire, Muir Beach Community Services District, Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District, Stinson Beach Fire Department, Town of Corte Madera, Town of Fairfax, Town of Ross, Town of San Anselmo

## *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

## *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

## *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

## *Proposal Category*

Dspace Evaluations

## *Project Description Summary*

The Marin Defensible Space Alliance (MRN, RVY, KNT, CMD, SOM) representing the local taxing authority Marin Wildfire members propose an Marin Wildfire Central Zone core funding allocation to support the development and capital investment required to expand a successful multi agency Defensible Space and Home Hardening Evaluation and Inspection Program. This program would be managed in cooperation with Marin County Fire Department and the West Marin fire agencies, and aims to utilize 24 Seasonal Defensible Space Inspectors to inspect 15,000 to 20,000 properties annually in more than 20 communities. Supported with a variety of hardware and software tools, office spaces, and fuel-efficient utilizing fleet transportation, inspectors will provide state of the art defensible space and home hardening evaluations, education, initial and follow up defensible space code compliance inspections, and data collection to enhance future Marin Wildfire programs and analysis. This core funding would be utilized to supplement the 20% allocation by member agencies to support expanded program costs, including expanded year-round and seasonal labor, reinspection costs, and capital investment in technology, tools, transportation, operations spaces, and staffing.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Marin Wildfire

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Adequate defensible space is required for a fire adapted community

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$285,997.23

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Todd Lando*

## CENTRAL MARIN ZONE EVACUATION ROUTE CORE PROJECT, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Larkspur, Kentfield Fire District, County of Marin Fire, Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District, Town of Corte Madera, Town of Fairfax, Town of Ross, Town of San Anselmo

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.3 Maintain appropriate roadside vegetation management

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Evacuation Routes

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes roadside vegetation management along routes identified as critical for evacuation during a fire. Project activities would include trimming of invasive, non native species; invasive native species; removal of dead woody vegetation; and removal and/or trimming of some shrubs and small diameter trees near roadsides that would create hazardous conditions during a fire.

### *Geographic Scope*

The project will include untreated sections of the 24.7 miles of roadway that was included in the scoping and environmental compliance for the FY 2021/22 Core project (West Marin Zone Evacuation Route Core Project). Locations may include communities of Fairfax, San Anselmo, Sleepy Hollow, Ross, Kentfield, Greenbrae, Larkspur, Corte Madera, and adjacent unincorporated areas. There are approximately 16,000 habitable structures in the designated WUI areas of these communities.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Improve safety of evacuation routes, reduce hazardous vegetation near roadways and homes.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* and directly supports the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Section 8.5.1, “Roadside Vegetation Management.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$190,664.82

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Todd Lando*

## **GREATER ROSS VALLEY SHADED FUEL BREAK, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Marin Wildfire

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Larkspur, Kentfield Fire District, County of Marin Fire, Private Landowner, Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District, Town of Corte Madera, Town of Fairfax, Town of Ross, Town of San Anselmo

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

The proposed project is continued implementation of a shaded fuel break and hazardous fuel reduction and forest health management zone within 200-300 feet of structures at the boundary of the WUI in the Ross Valley. The project will be 38 miles long and encompass 1,379 acres. Within and adjacent to this area, there are 2,772 habitable structures, of which many are multi unit structures such as apartments and condominium buildings, giving us a total of 41,124 living units.

### *Geographic Scope*

The proposed project would be 38 miles long and encompass 1,379 acres. Within and adjacent to this area, there are 2,772 habitable structures, of which many are multi unit structures such as apartments and condominium buildings, giving us a total of 41,124 living units. All Ross Valley and adjacent communities will benefit.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Fuel breaks adjacent to communities and roadways reduce wildfire intensity and severity and risks to residents and their homes, while improving opportunities for residents to evacuate safely and providing first responders with more opportunities to engage with the fire directly.

The project will:

- a) Create a shaded fuel break to protect critical infrastructure and strategic locations to increase public safety and reduce wildfire risk.
- b) Protect people and structures located in, adjacent, and near wildfire threatened communities.
- c) Reduce ladder fuels, lower limbs, and ground fuel accumulation to reduce fire intensity adjacent to structures and help reduce the likelihood of crown fires.
- d) Enhance defensible space adjacent to structures at the community's periphery where fires originating in undeveloped wildlands are likely to impact the built environment & WUI.
- e) Strategically advance the protection of WUI communities across the region, while also increasing safety for the public and first responders.
- f) Increase safety for first responders as a result of the increase in defensible space.
- g) Promote the continued maintenance of an ecologically healthy forest stand density that can be more easily maintained in future years.

The project's objectives are as follows:

- a) Remove ladder fuels, limb trees up to a minimum of 10 feet, remove specific pyrophytic vegetation, and utilize grazing animals to reduce hazardous fuel loads.
- b) Implement 300 feet of defensible space along the WUI boundary to protect the 103,399 residents who reside in the Greater Ross Valley.
- c) Implement adequate vegetation clearance in critical locations to reduce wildfire intensity and rate of spread.
- d) Inform community members of the purpose, duration, and scope of work in concert with and support of separate (non grant funded) programs related to the reduction of hazardous fuels.
- e) Reduce fuel loading and flammability around structures and communities.
- f) Utilize chipping and composting to dispose of the remaining biomass in order to decrease the amount of GHG emissions resulting from vegetation management.

The expected outcomes are as follows:

- a) Reduction of flammable material and the implementation of 38 miles of defensible space.
- b) Treatment of 1,379 acres of vegetation in the WUI boundary.
- c) Protection of government operations and critical services such as fire, police, power, water, sewer, roads, and other critical facilities.
- d) An overall reduction in dead, dying, and diseased trees and other vegetation to increase forest health while reducing fire risk.
- e) Thinning of forests using environmentally sensitive standards and practice in order to increase forest resiliency during drought.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, "Defensible Space," 8.5, "Non-Residential Vegetation Management," and 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$953,324.09

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Todd Lando*



# West Marin Zone Proposals

## West Marin Zone Budget Summary

<b>Bolinas Fire District Local and DSpace Proposals</b>			
	Local	DSpace	Core
Bolinas Supplemental Understory Maintenance, 2026/27	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Bolinas Supplemental Chipper Days, 2026/27	\$ 8,585.47	\$ -	\$ -
Bolinas Defensible Space and Home Hardening Evaluation and Inspection Program, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ 28,585.47	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 28,585.47</b>	<b>\$ 28,585.47</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>AVAILABLE</b>	<b>\$ 28,585.47</b>	<b>\$ 28,585.47</b>	
<b>Inverness Local and DSpace Proposals</b>			
	Local	DSpace	Core
Inverness Evacuation Route Vegetation Management, 2026/27	\$ 24,315.91	\$ -	\$ -
Inverness Defensible Space and Home Hardening Evaluation and Inspection Program, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ 24,315.91	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 24,315.91</b>	<b>\$ 24,315.91</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>AVAILABLE</b>	<b>\$ 24,315.91</b>	<b>\$ 24,315.91</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Marin County Fire Local and DSpace Proposals</b>			
	Local	DSpace	Core
Marin Emergency Radio Authority (MERA) and Critical Communications Infrastructure Expanded Defensible Space Project, 2026/27	\$ 200,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
West Zone, CSA 31 and CSA 19 Vegetation Treatment Program, 2026/27	\$ 190,391.22	\$ -	\$ -
MCFD Defensible Space and Home Hardening Evaluation and Inspection Program, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ 390,391.22	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 390,391.22</b>	<b>\$ 390,391.22</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>AVAILABLE</b>	<b>\$ 390,391.22</b>	<b>\$ 390,391.22</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Stinson Beach Fire District Local and DSpace Proposals</b>			
	Local	DSpace	Core
Stinson Beach Mobile Evacuation Alerting and Warning Vehicle (Partial Acquisition), 2026/27	\$ 31,979.74	\$ -	\$ -
Stinson Beach Defensible Space and Home Hardening Evaluation and Inspection Program, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ 31,979.74	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 31,979.74</b>	<b>\$ 31,979.74</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>AVAILABLE (v4-7-2026)</b>	<b>\$ 31,979.74</b>	<b>\$ 31,979.74</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

<b>West Marin Core Proposals</b>			
	Local	Dspace	Core
West Marin Zone Evacuation Route Core Project, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 60,000.00
Coastal Fuel Reduction Network Project, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 354,488.74
TOTAL	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 414,488.74
AVAILABLE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 414,488.74



# **Bolinas Fire District Local and Defensible Space Proposals**

## **BOLINAS SUPPLEMENTAL UNDERSTORY MAINTENANCE, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Bolinas Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

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### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate Vegetation Management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes maintaining a fuel reduction zone adjacent to residences in the Bolinas area. Project activities would include trimming of invasive, non-native species such as eucalyptus, acacia, and broom; removal of dead woody vegetation; and removal and/or trimming of some shrubs and small-diameter trees that would create hazardous conditions during a fire.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Bolinas Fire Protection District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project will improve defensible space around approximately 200 residential structures, the current and planned offices of the Bolinas Community Public Utility District, and essential powerlines and evacuation routes. It will benefit the entire Bolinas community.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.4, “Defensible Space,” and 8.5, “Non-residential Vegetation Management.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$20,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Isaac Taylor*

## **BOLINAS SUPPLEMENTAL CHIPPER DAYS, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Bolinas Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

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### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate Vegetation Management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Chipper Days

### *Project Description Summary*

This project will fund up to 3 additional Chipper Days in Bolinas.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Bolinas Fire Protection District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Increasing the number of free Chipper Days will allow residents to reduce hazardous vegetation as we enter a potentially active fire season.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation

Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

**\$8,585.47**

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Isaac Taylor*

## **BOLINAS DEFENSIBLE SPACE AND HOME HARDENING EVALUATION AND INSPECTION PROGRAM, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Bolinas Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

County of Marin Fire, Private Landowners

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.2 Create and maintain appropriate defensible space on all parcels

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

DSpace Evaluations

### *Project Description Summary*

The Bolinas Fire Protection District (BFPD or District) intends to use defensible space funds to hire County inspectors to perform Structural Ignitability and Defensible Space Assessments, parcel by parcel, providing quality evaluations of fire hazards for all parcels within the BFPD jurisdiction. The Certified Wildfire Mitigation Specialists will assess and record existing conditions, write prescriptions for each parcel, provide written evaluations, and give face-to-face education to property owners on potential remedies. We will support homeowners to modify the existing built environment, create good defensible spaces, reduce hazards, and create a more fire-adapted community. The results of these evaluations will provide parcel-level data and hazard identification, thereby facilitating more informed decisions about where to apply home hardening incentives and vegetation management funding most effectively. The District plans to evaluate approximately half of the parcels each year, alternating sections so that each residence receives an evaluation at least once every two years. Inspectors will help inform residents of available Marin Wildfire grant funding for defensible space and home hardening work and distribute information on upcoming Chipper Day events in the community.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Bolinas Fire Protection District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Through this program, we expect residents to become more proactive in removing hazardous fuels within 100 feet of structures, creating defensible space, properly disposing of excess fuels, and taking steps to harden their homes. As a result of outreach and education, we expect more residents to utilize grant funding available through Marin Wildfire. Cumulatively, these efforts should reduce risks to life and property from wildland fire events.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$28,585.47

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Isaac Taylor*

# Inverness Fire District Local and Defensible Space Proposals

## INVERNESS EVACUATION ROUTE VEGETATION MANAGEMENT, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Inverness Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

County of Marin Fire

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.3 Maintain appropriate roadside vegetation management

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Evacuation Routes

### *Project Description Summary*

In order to improve evacuation routes, fire hazardous vegetation will be reduced along roads within the jurisdiction of the Inverness Public Utility District. Work will focus on roadside vegetation 10 feet from the center of the road, and up to 25 feet where necessary, on both sides of the road edges. Clearing vegetation and low hanging limbs from these areas will improve emergency responder access, reduce the amount of heat that evacuating residents might be exposed to during a fire, improve visibility, and expand usable width of roadways. No healthy, mature trees will be removed under this project. Trimmings and removed vegetation will be disposed of through chipping or composting at regional facilities. Work will be performed at appropriate times of the year to reduce the potential for biological resource impacts (e.g., tree pruning work will mainly occur between September and January 31, unless a recent nesting bird survey conducted by a qualified biologist prior to the work confirms that no active nests would be disturbed). It is critical to support this community in creating safe evacuation routes and improve equipment access.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Inverness Fire District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Improving evacuation routes is a key component of creating fire-adapted communities. Vegetation management along evacuation routes reduces flame length and fire intensity and other hazards for evacuating residents as well as for first responders.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* and directly supports the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Section 8.5.1, “Roadside Vegetation Management.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$24,315.91

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | David Briggs*

# INVERNESS DEFENSIBLE SPACE AND HOME HARDENING EVALUATION AND INSPECTION PROGRAM, 2026/27

## *Lead Agency*

Inverness Fire District

## *Partner Agency(ies)*

County of Marin Fire

## *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

## *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

## *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

## *Proposal Category*

DSpace Evaluations

## *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes a program that will employ Wildfire Mitigation Specialists to inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for hazards related to defensible space, structural hardening, and fire-smart landscaping. The program will document existing conditions, recommended mitigation measures, and identify issues related to codes and ordinances. The program will provide community education and support while integrating with other local and Marin Wildfire-funded programs such as Chipper Days, residential resale inspections, defensible space grants, evacuation preparedness, evacuation route vegetation management, and other related programs.

## *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Inverness Public Utility District

## *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

By informing residents of defensible space principles, hazard mitigation, fuel reduction and proper disposal, we will help the community adapt to increasing risks of wildfire.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$24,315.91

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | David Briggs*

## **Marin County Fire Department Local and DSpace Proposals**

### **MARIN EMERGENCY RADIO AUTHORITY (MERA) AND CRITICAL COMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE EXPANDED DEFENSIBLE SPACE PROJECT, 2026/27**

#### *Lead Agency*

County of Marin Fire

#### *Partner Agency(ies)*

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#### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

Goal 2: Detection, Alerts, and Evacuation

#### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

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#### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

#### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

#### *Project Description Summary*

The Marin Emergency Radio Authority (MERA) and Critical Communication Infrastructure Expanded Defensible Space Project (Project) will create an expanded defensible space zone for MERA sites and other critical communications infrastructure. The Project Area will include areas within 200 feet from MERA and other critical emergency communications infrastructure. The exact scope and treatment area around each site will be determined by vegetation community type, topography, and other factors that could affect potential adjacent fire behavior.

The project will include conducting expanded vegetation management around MERA sites throughout the County; improving defensible space for critical communications infrastructure to make equipment and facilities more resilient to wildfire; and creating an inventory of critical communications infrastructure sites and creating maintenance plans to ensure ongoing defensible space at each location

#### *Geographic Scope*

MERA sites throughout the jurisdiction of the Marin County Fire Department

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This proposal provides defensible space for critical communications infrastructure vulnerable to wildfire, including MERA sites across Marin County.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the 2020 *Marin County CWPP*, including 8.4.1, *“Improve Defensible Space Around All Structures.”*

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management in Open Space” and “Alerting.”

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$200,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Gavin Albertoli*

## **WEST ZONE, CSA 31, AND CSA 19 VEGETATION TREATMENT PROGRAM, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

County of Marin

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

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### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

Marin County Fire Department throughout its jurisdiction proposes to continue to implement a vegetation management program intended to reduce invasive, non-native fire-hazardous vegetation that, when impacted by wildfire, might threaten structures or impede ingress and egress on evacuation routes. The project will enhance the health of native forests and plant communities by removing competing invasive plants. Funds from this project will support existing projects outlined in the Unit Fire Plan.

### *Geographic Scope*

Project work will be primarily within 20 ft of roadways and/or 200 ft of structures, or at greater distances where topographical or vegetation fuel conditions necessitate greater treatment distances to achieve the project goal of treating invasive plants.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project will increase evacuation speed and improve the safety of evacuation routes by reducing potential impacts from heat, smoke, flame, and embers on roadways. The project's primary objectives are to: reduce invasive, non-native fire hazardous vegetation that, when impacted by wildfire, might threaten structures or impede ingress and egress on evacuation; improve the safety and efficiency of wildfire evacuations; improve wildfire resilience of structures

adjacent to areas impacted by invasive, non-native vegetation; maintain existing roadways and adjacent vegetation in the public right of way to reduce invasive, non-native roadside vegetation to meet the minimum standards outlined in local fire and WUI codes (CAFC 4908 and/or 4907.2 as adopted by the responsible jurisdiction); maintain and/or restore the health of native vegetation and habitat. The project may reduce the risk of wildfire damage to other types of structures and infrastructure. These include residential homes, domestic and municipal water supplies, power lines, roadways, communication facilities and community facilities.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including 8.4.1, *“Improve Defensible Space Around All Structures”* and 8.5.1, *“Roadside Vegetation Management.”*

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.”

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$190,391.22

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Jordan Reeser*

# MCFD DEFENSIBLE SPACE AND HOME HARDENING EVALUATION AND INSPECTION PROGRAM, 2026/27

## *Lead Agency*

County of Marin

## *Partner Agency(ies)*

## *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

## *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.2 Create and maintain appropriate defensible space on all parcels

## *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

## *Proposal Category*

DSpace Evaluations

## *Project Description Summary*

The Marin County Fire Department proposes a defensible space and evaluation program to inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for potential wildfire hazards. The program will document existing conditions, recommended mitigation measures, and enforce existing codes and ordinances related to vegetation management, defensible space, and structural hardening. The program will provide community education and support and integrate with other local and Marin Wildfire-funded programs such as Chipper Days, seasonal defensible space inspections and evaluations, residential resale inspections, defensible space grants, evacuation preparedness, evacuation route vegetation management, and invasive vegetation treatment. The County has had some level of defensible space inspection program for the past 20 years. We have created a cooperative approach to ensure consistency and ensure monies are maximized. The partnering agencies are RVFD, CMFD, Bolinas, Kentfield, Stinson, Muir Beach, and Inverness. This will be the fourth year of this collaborative approach.

## *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the County of Marin

## *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

By informing residents of defensible space principles, hazard mitigation, fuel reduction and proper disposal, we will help the community adapt to increasing risks of wildfire.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$390,391.22

Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Jordan Reeser  
Stinson Beach Fire Protection District

## **Stinson Beach Fire Protection District Local and DSpace Proposals**

### **STINSON BEACH MOBILE EVACUATION ALERTING AND WARNING VEHICLE (PARTIAL ACQUISITION), 2026/27**

#### *Lead Agency*

Stinson Beach Fire Protection District

#### *Partner Agency(ies)*

#### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 2: Detection, Alert & Evacuation

#### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 2.2 Encourage redundant information, warning and alerting systems for all residents & visitors

#### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

#### *Proposal Category*

Equipment

#### *Project Description Summary*

This project includes partial funding toward a utility vehicle that will be used to deploy a Marin Wildfire-funded evacuation siren, providing the District with a mobile way to warn residents and visitors who may not receive phone or digital alerts during a wildfire.

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Stinson Beach Fire Protection District

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The siren will provide an immediate, clear, and audible warning to the community, reducing evacuation delays and increasing response time. This enhances life safety and ensures quicker evacuation in fast moving fire conditions.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This project supports evacuation alerting priorities within the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, specifically the use of acoustic devices and redundant warning systems (Sections 8.6.2 and 8.6.5). The Stinson Beach Disaster Plan (2025) also directly assigns the District responsibility for driving through the community and sounding evacuation sirens during emergencies.

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Alerting.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$31,979.74

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Jesse Peri*

## **STINSON BEACH DEFENSIBLE SPACE AND HOME HARDENING EVALUATION AND INSPECTION PROGRAM, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Stinson Beach Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

Marin County Fire Department

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.2 Create and maintain appropriate defensible space on all parcels

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

Dspace Evaluations

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes a program that will employ Wildfire Mitigation Specialists to inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for hazards related to defensible space, structural hardening, and fire-smart landscaping. The program will document existing conditions, recommended mitigation measures, and identify issues related to codes and ordinances. The program will provide community education and support while integrating with other local and Marin Wildfire-funded programs such as Chipper Days, residential resale inspections, defensible space grants, evacuation preparedness, evacuation route vegetation management, and other related programs.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Stinson Beach Fire Protection District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The program reduces wildfire risk by conducting defensible space and home-hardening inspections, helping residents identify and address vulnerabilities on their properties. These efforts will improve fire resilience, reduce ignition potential, and enhance overall community preparedness, particularly by educating residents on the importance of Zone Zero and home hardening.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$31,979.74

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Jesse Peri*

# West Marin Core Proposals

## WEST MARIN ZONE EVACUATION ROUTE CORE PROJECT, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

County of Marin

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

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### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.3 Maintain appropriate Roadside Vegetation Management

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Evacuation Routes

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes roadside vegetation management along routes identified as critical for evacuation during a fire. Project activities would include trimming of invasive, non-native species; invasive native species; removal of dead woody vegetation; and removal and/or trimming of some shrubs and small-diameter trees near roadsides that would create hazardous conditions during a fire.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Improving evacuation routes is a key component of creating fire-adapted communities. Vegetation management along evacuation routes reduces flame length and fire intensity, as well as other hazards for evacuating residents and first responders.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* and directly supports the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Section 8.5.1, "Roadside Vegetation Management."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "On-parcel Risk Reduction," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," and "Evacuation Planning." In particular, this proposal supports "Vegetation Management Near Communities" and "Roadside Clearance."

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$60,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Gavin Albertoli*

## COASTAL FUEL REDUCTION NETWORK PROJECT, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

County of Marin

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

Bolinas Fire Protection District, Inverness Fire District, Stinson Beach Fire Protection District, Muir Beach Community Services District

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

The coastal communities of Muir Beach, Stinson Beach, Bolinas, and Inverness are located within the Coastal Zone, and are therefore subject to California Coastal Act of 1976 regulations. Much of the land that is not federally owned and managed within the Marin County Coastal Zone is under the jurisdiction of the Marin County Local Coastal Program. "Development" within the Coastal Zone requires a coastal development permit. "Development" includes any "change in the density or intensity of use of land and the removal or harvesting of major vegetation other than for agricultural purposes, kelp harvesting, and timber operations" (PRC § 30106). While some critically important treatment activities are exempt from the requirement for a Coastal Development Permit (Marin Municipal Code § 22.68.050), many are not, which has limited the scope and scale of priority fuel management projects that have been approved and implemented in the Coastal Zone.

On March 1, 2025, Governor Newsom declared a state of emergency regarding wildfire risks, which suspends certain State statutes, rules, regulations, and requirements that fall under the jurisdiction of the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) and the California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA), inclusive of CEQA and the California Coastal Act.

The proposed project consists of priority treatment areas that cannot commence without either a Coastal Development Permit or completion of a Public Works Plan. The purpose of the proposed project is to reduce wildfire rate of spread and intensity around and within coastal communities,

thereby establishing defensible community spaces for fire personnel to defend the Marin County coastal communities should a wildfire ignite, and allow safe ingress and egress during a wildfire. Roadside treatments along fire roads and evacuation routes would improve access for first responders and emergency vehicles and permit safer evacuation for residents and visitors. The proposed project would also improve defensible space and access by reducing the impingement of heat, flame, embers, and smoke in the event of an approaching wildfire.

Treatments would occur in the coastal communities of Stinson Beach, Bolinas, and Inverness:

- Up to 300 feet around structures and critical infrastructure
- Up to 100 feet around roadways
- Up to 50 feet around fire roads

Methods would include:

- Manual treatment methods
- Mechanical treatment methods
- Herbicide application
- Chipping and hauling or broadcasting of chips

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Fuel breaks adjacent to communities and roadways reduce wildfire intensity and severity and risks to residents and their homes, while improving opportunities for residents to evacuate safely and providing first responders with more opportunities to engage with the fire directly.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$354,488.74

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Gavin Albertol*



# Novato Zone Proposals

## Novato Zone Budget Summary

Novato Zone Local and DSpace Proposals			
	Local	DSpace	Core
Novato Wildfire Mitigation Specialists, 2026/27	\$ 660,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Wildfire Mitigation Program Manager, 2026/27	\$ 185,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Novato Fire Mitigation Ranger, 2026/27	\$ 200,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Novato Wildfire Mitigation Program Equipment, 2026/27	\$ 110,893.83	\$ -	\$ -
Novato Home Hardening Grant Program, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ 650,000.00	\$ -
Novato Voluntary Hazard Abatement/Invasive Vegetation Program, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -
Novato Vegetation Management Grant Program, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ 335,893.83	\$ -
Novato Zone 0 Vegetation Removal Grant Program 2026/27	\$ -	\$ 150,000.00	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 1,155,893.83	\$ 1,155,893.83	
AVAILABLE	\$ 1,155,893.83	\$ 1,155,893.83	

<b>Novato Zone Core Proposals</b>			
	Local	Dspace	Core
Novato Vegetation Management Specialist, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 120,000.00
Novato Senior Vegetation Management Specialist, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 149,000.00
Novato Core Grant Program and Direct Assistance, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00
Northeast Novato Evacuation Routes, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 75,000.00
Novato Evacuation Route, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00
Novato Fire Road Maintenance, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00
Novato Fire Smart Demonstration Gardens, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 90,000.00
Novato Fire Adaptive Multimedia Campaign, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 120,000.00
Novato Hazardous Vegetation Removal Project, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150,000.00
Valley Memorial Park Eucalyptus Removal and Revegetation, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,000.00
Ignacio Valley Fuel Break Maintenance, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00
Novato Open Space Fuel Reduction, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 75,000.00
Marin Highlands Fuel Break Maintenance, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00
Novato Bahia Fuel Break Maintenance, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,000.00
Marin Valley Goat Grazing Maintenance, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,000.00
Greater Novato Shaded Fuel Break, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 667,117.85
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$ 1,796,117.85</b>
<b>AVAILABLE</b>			<b>\$ 1,796,117.85</b>

# Novato Fire District Local Budget Proposals

## NOVATO WILDFIRE MITIGATION SPECIALISTS, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 4: Public Outreach and Education

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 4.2 Conduct outreach and education activities in support Goal #5: Defensible Space and Home Hardening

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Staffing

### *Project Description Summary*

This funding covers four (4) full-time wildfire mitigation specialists (WMS) and one (1) part time WMS supervisor. Novato Fire District does not employ seasonal positions with this funding. WMS spend 60% of their time performing roadside and full assessments (Marin Wildfire Goal 4 and Goal 5), 20% of their time on grant assistance (Marin Wildfire Goal 3), and 20% of their time on program support for fuel reduction projects and public education/community engagement (Marin Wildfire Goal 1 and Goal 4). Funds may be used to support staff with the purchase of tech support, miscellaneous supplies, software subscriptions, vehicle maintenance, and job-related training.

Novato Wildfire Mitigation Specialists (WMS) are NFPA certified and conduct a wide range of duties including analyzing structure ignition potential, assessing wildfire risk in the wildland urban interface (WUI), and making detailed recommendations for mitigation of hazards including improved defensible space and appropriate construction methods and materials to reduce home wildfire risk. WMS also manage grant disbursement and verify compliance with recommendations. Novato Fire District's WMS conduct wildfire mitigation assessments, provide grant assistance, and support local public education, community outreach, and fuel reduction efforts. Novato Fire District WMS team averages 7,000 assessments a year with approximately 22,000 occupancies in the district. With full-time staff, assessments are year-round. Novato Fire District aims to conduct a roadside assessment on each occupancy every three years.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Novato Fire District.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Home inspections help residents make homes and yards more ember resistant and allow for communities to be more fire-adapted.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$660,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## **NOVATO WILDFIRE MITIGATION PROGRAM MANAGER, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Staffing

### *Project Description Summary*

This position is replacing the Vegetation Management Program Manager position that was created in fiscal year 2022/23. This new position now includes the supervision of wildfire mitigation program and staff. These funds cover one (1) full-time position to manage all fuel reduction projects and wildfire mitigation programs funded by Marin Wildfire within the Novato Zone. These funds may be used to support staff with the purchase of tech support, miscellaneous supplies, software subscriptions, and job-related training.

Under general direction of the Fire Marshal, the Wildfire Mitigation Program Manager (WMPM) will be responsible for the development, operation, and administration of programs and projects that support Novato Fire District's Wildfire Prevention Plan and the Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority's goals and annual work plan. This classification directs and supports program staff involved in the wildfire prevention and mitigation programs that include defensible space, vegetation management, and open space management. The WMPM assures all Novato Fire District projects adhere to environmental laws, regulations, and best practices, in addition to performing other duties as assigned. This position is distinguished by the significant level of responsibility to collaborate internally with Novato Fire District staff, and externally with many partner agencies, in addition to community leaders, business leaders, and residents.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Novato Fire District.

*Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This position manages programs that support wildfire adaptation within the built environment, Wildland Urban Interface, and in open space within the Novato Zone.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This position supports proposals consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” 8.4, “Defensible Space,” and 8.5, “Non-residential Vegetation Management.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$185,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## **NOVATO FIRE MITIGATION RANGER, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Novato

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 2: Detection, Alert & Evacuation

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 2.7 Provide resources and best practices to identify and support Access & Functional Needs (AFN) residents evacuation planning

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Staffing

### *Project Description Summary*

These funds cover one (1) part time Fire Mitigation Ranger.

The Novato Fire Mitigation Ranger patrols open space for signs of illegal camping, ignitions sources, and other potential public safety risks. Novato has a history of human caused fires in open space. Regular patrols help mitigate this risk by removing ignition sources and dissuading people from setting up illegal encampments. In addition, the Novato Fire Mitigation Ranger provides education regarding fire safety and potential hazards, connects unhoused occupants with potential services on a case by case basis, and maps occupied encampments and potential fire hazards in the open spaces. The Ranger also conducts foot patrols ahead of vegetation management efforts within approved project areas. They will handle various calls for service and may be in situations involving the unhoused, encampments, and mitigation efforts to reduce wildfire risk. The Novato Fire Mitigation Ranger understands applicable municipal and county codes and the role of a police officer. Novato Fire Mitigation Ranger coordinates all activities with the assigned Novato Police Department program manager and the assigned Novato Fire District program manager.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Novato Fire District.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This proposal would reduce the number of human-caused ignitions.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "Fire Detection, Alerting, Roadside Clearance."

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$200,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## **NOVATO WILDFIRE MITIGATION PROGRAM EQUIPMENT, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Equipment

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal will fund equipment directly associated with Novato Fire District wildfire mitigation projects, including but not limited to: tool maintenance and storage, erosion control materials, safety equipment, monitoring equipment, outreach equipment, and notification equipment.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Novato Fire District.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This proposal will increase efficiency in the implementation of the vegetation management projects and increase effectiveness in communication with the public education equipment.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal includes equipment necessary to support vegetation management activities identified in the CWPP and other plans.

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$110,894.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

# Novato Fire District Defensible Space Budget Proposals

## NOVATO HOME HARDENING GRANT PROGRAM, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 3: Grants

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 3.2 Assist the community with the hardening of structures and homes

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

Grant Program

### *Project Description Summary*

Novato Fire District provides home hardening and vegetation grants to Novato residents in addition to Marin Wildfire's grant program. Grant funds are available for parcels with structures located within Novato Fire District's jurisdiction. Properties that have received a free Wildfire Mitigation Assessment from one of Novato Fire District's Wildfire Mitigation Specialist are eligible for grants. The objective of the grant program is to improve defensible space through vegetation management and home hardening. Novato Fire District's home hardening matching grant program is for measures that reduce structure ignitability. This grant covers the replacement of non wildland urban interface (WUI) rated products with WUI rated products such as: windows, vents, roofs, sidings, gutters, and wood fences attached to the home in Zone 0 only.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Novato Fire District.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project coupled with in-person home evaluation with Wildfire Mitigation Specialists provides incentive to residents to implement effective home hardening improvements.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$650,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## **NOVATO VOLUNTARY HAZARD ABATEMENT/INVASIVE VEGETATION PROGRAM, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Novato, College of Marin, HOAs With Private Dedicated Open Space, North Marin Water District, PG&E, Private Landowners

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.2 Create and maintain appropriate defensible space on all parcels

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This program would be for small-scale vegetation actions for defensible space, for treatment of abandoned homes and lots, through the removal of invasive plants and introduced hazardous tree removal where such vegetation, when impacted by wildfire, might threaten structures or impede ingress and egress on evacuation routes. For properties that require hazard abatement, this program would provide direct assistance through Novato Fire District contracting directly with service providers for required work to comply with requirements outlined in the CA Public Resources Code, CA Government Code, and CA Fire Code, based on an initial assessment and list of actions required to meet standards provided by Novato Fire District Fire Inspector or Deputy Fire Marshal. Project work is differentiated from other (core funded) project proposals by focusing primarily on removal of pines, broom, acacia, eucalyptus, associated dead biomass, and other flammable conditions. The project will enhance the health of native forest and plant communities through the removal of competing invasive plants. Work sites will be identified in a manner consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP, with the objective of maximizing public safety during evacuations, protecting structures, and ecological benefit. Project work will be, primarily, within 10 feet of roadways and/or 100 feet of structures or greater distances where topographical or vegetation fuel conditions necessitate greater treatment distances to achieve project goals. Work will be directed by Novato Fire District, and conducted by local tree service and vegetation management contractors focusing primarily on winter timeframes outside of nesting season.

Participation in the program will be voluntary, Novato Fire District will select and pay contractors directly.

*Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Novato Fire District.

*Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project will enable Novato Fire District to address numerous small scale but acute hazards in a cost effective manner and further hazard reduction in communities.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$20,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## **NOVATO VEGETATION MANAGEMENT GRANT PROGRAM, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

Grant Program

### *Project Description Summary*

Novato Fire District provides home hardening and vegetation grants to Novato residents in addition to Marin Wildfire's grant program. Grant funds are available for parcels with structures located within Novato Fire District's jurisdiction. Properties that have received a free Wildfire Mitigation Assessment from one of Novato Fire District's Wildfire Mitigation Specialist are eligible for grants. The objective of the grant program is to improve defensible space through vegetation management and home hardening. Novato Fire District's matching grant program for vegetation management is for compliant defensible space. This grant covers: the removal of hazardous vegetation and mulch, improving horizontal and vertical spacing of vegetation, rock installation, and tree trimming.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Novato Fire District.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project coupled with an in-person home assessment with Wildfire Mitigation Specialists provides incentive to residents to implement effective defensible space improvements with the removal of hazardous vegetation near structures.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$335,893.83

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## **NOVATO ZONE ZERO VEGETATION REMOVAL GRANT PROGRAM, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

Grant Program

### *Project Description Summary*

Novato Fire District provides home hardening and vegetation grants to Novato residents in addition to Marin Wildfire's grant program. Grant funds are available for parcels with structures located within Novato Fire District's jurisdiction. Properties that have received a free Wildfire Mitigation Assessment from one of Novato Fire District's Wildfire Mitigation Specialist are eligible for grants. The objective of the grant program is to improve defensible space through vegetation management and home hardening. Novato Fire District's Zone 0 vegetation removal grant incentivizes the removal of hazardous materials and all vegetation within Zone 0 (0-5 feet from the habitable structure). This program is application-based and eligibility will be limited to residents who have received a full inspection by Novato Wildfire Mitigation Specialists.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Novato Fire District.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project, coupled with in-person home evaluations with Wildfire Mitigation Specialists provides incentive to residents to implement effective defensible space improvements.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$150,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

# Novato Fire District Core Budget Proposals

## NOVATO VEGETATION MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate Vegetation Management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Staffing

### *Project Description Summary*

This project funds one (1) full-time position funded by Marin Wildfire to work on a variety of Marin Wildfire goal-aligned projects, largely focused on vegetation management, evacuation improvement, defensible space, and community wildfire preparedness. These funds may be used to support staff with the purchase of tech support, miscellaneous supplies, software subscriptions, and job related training.

The Vegetation Management Specialist (VMS) will assist with the Novato Fire District's wildfire prevention efforts, including the planning and implementation of fuel reduction projects to improve wildfire safety and minimize risks, the evaluation and development of vegetation management strategies, and supporting crews in the field who are carrying out vegetation management projects. The VMS will perform all related work as assigned. This position is intended to support the Senior Vegetation Management Specialist and the Wildfire Mitigation Program Manager in the assessment of risk and opportunities for wildfire prevention, development of projects, acquiring permits, coordinating environmental compliance documentation, securing consulting and contracting resources, directing work schedules and operations, overseeing environmental monitoring, interacting with project neighbors, Firewise communities, and other stakeholders, and project completion reporting. The VMS will focus on implementing all core projects related to fuel reduction and vegetation management.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Novato Fire District.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Positions such as this plan, implement, and monitor wildfire risk reduction projects and programs.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This position implements projects and programs consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” 8.4, “Defensible Space,” and 8.5, “Non-residential Vegetation Management.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$120,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## **NOVATO SENIOR VEGETATION MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Staffing

### *Project Description Summary*

These funds cover one (1) full-time position funded by the Marin Wildfire to work on a variety of Marin Wildfire goal aligned projects, largely focused on vegetation management, evacuation improvement, defensible space, and community wildfire preparedness. These funds may be used to support staff with the purchase of tech support, miscellaneous supplies, software subscriptions, and job related training. This position is intended to support the Wildfire Mitigation Program Manager in the assessment of risk and opportunities for wildfire prevention, development of projects, acquiring permits, coordinating environmental compliance documentation, securing consulting and contracting resources, directing work schedules and operations, overseeing environmental monitoring, interacting with project neighbors, Firewise communities, and other stakeholders, and project completion reporting. The Senior Vegetation Management Specialist (Senior VMS) will focus on implementing all core projects related to fuel reduction and vegetation management. Full-time staff are essential to assure project across the zone are developed and completed in a timely, transparent, and efficient manner.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Novato Fire District.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This proposal includes staffing necessary to support vegetation management activities related to adapting to wildfire.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This position implements projects and programs consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, “Defensible Space,” especially Recommended Action, 4.4, “Continue to encourage and support grazing to reduce fuels in appropriate areas;” 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management;” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this position supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$149,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Elizabeth Neill*

## **NOVATO CORE GRANT PROGRAM AND DIRECT ASSISTANCE, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 3: Grants

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 3.2 Assist the community with the hardening of structures and homes

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Grant Program

### *Project Description Summary*

Novato Fire District has provided home hardening and vegetation grants in addition to Marin Wildfire's grant program through our local Measure C funding since 2021. For fiscal year 26/27, Novato Fire District may also manage a portion of Marin Wildfire's grant program budget that are allocated for Novato residents. Those funds will be provided to Novato residents in a similar way to the Novato Fire District's local grant program, described below. In addition, a portion of those allotted funds will be used to pilot a juniper removal direct assistance program. Novato Fire District's grant program: Grant funds are available for parcels with structures within Novato Fire District's jurisdiction. Properties that have received a free full Wildfire Mitigation Assessment within the last year are eligible for grants. The objective of the grant program is to improve defensible space through home hardening and vegetation management. This objective is met through three types of grants. Novato's matching grant for vegetation management is for compliant defensible space and covers the removal of hazardous vegetation, mulch removal, improving horizontal and vertical spacing of vegetation, and tree trimming. This is a reimbursable 50/50 matching grant, up to \$1,000. The matching grant for Zone 0 vegetation removal grant incentivizes the removal of hazardous materials and all vegetation within Zone 0 (0 to 5 feet from the habitable structure). The Zone 0 grant is application based and eligibility will be limited to residents who received preapproval from Novato Fire District's Wildfire Mitigation Specialists. This is also a reimbursable 50/50 matching grant, up to \$1,000. The matching grant for home hardening mitigation efforts that reduce structural ignitability and covers the replacement of non-wildland urban interface (WUI) rated products with WUI rated products, including windows, roofs, siding, vents, gutters, and wooden fences attached to the home in Zone 0 only. This is a reimbursable 50/50 matching grant, up to \$2,500.

**Pilot Hazardous Juniper Removal Program:** This pilot program will be an additional free resource to Novato residents beginning in fiscal year 26/27. This is a direct assistance program that targets juniper within Zone 0 and Zone 1. Residents will be able to sign up to get on the list for juniper removal. Novato Fire District’s vegetation management team or wildfire mitigation specialists will manage a landscape contractor to conduct juniper removal at least 2 days each month. The funding for this program is dependent on the overall budget for this new project.

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Novato Fire District.

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project coupled with in person home evaluation with Wildfire Mitigation Specialists provides incentive to residents to implement effective home hardening improvements.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$10,000.00

**Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton**

## **NORTHEAST NOVATO EVACUATION ROUTES, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.3 Maintain appropriate roadside vegetation management

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Evacuation Routes

### *Project Description Summary*

This project will enhance safe ingress and egress during a wildfire emergency along designated evacuation routes and other streets in Northeast Novato by reducing roadside fuels and pruning trees to create vehicle access consistent with the fire code. Project work will be, primarily, 14 feet of vertical trimming, 10 feet of roadsides, and up to 100 feet for invasive plant removal treatment. Work will be directed by Novato Fire District's vegetation management team, and conducted by local tree service and vegetation management contractors. No healthy, mature trees will be removed under this project. Trimmings and removed vegetation will be recycled through chipping or composting at regional facilities. Work will be performed at appropriate times of the year in order to reduce the potential for biological impacts.

### *Geographic Scope*

This project includes 5 evacuation zones to the east of Highway 101: Bahia, Green Point, Black Point, Olive, and Davidson.

*Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Coupled with education on go bags, maps of evacuation routes, and evacuation drills, improving evacuation route passage is one of the most important elements of Fire Adapted Communities.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* and directly supports the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Section 8.5.1, "Roadside Vegetation Management."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "On-parcel Risk Reduction," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," and "Evacuation Planning." In particular, this proposal supports "Vegetation Management Near Communities" and "Roadside Clearance."

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$75,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## **NOVATO EVACUATION ROUTE, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Novato

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.3 Maintain appropriate roadside vegetation management

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Evacuation Routes

### *Project Description Summary*

This project will enhance safe ingress and egress during a wildfire emergency along designated evacuation routes and other streets in Novato by reducing roadside fuels and pruning trees to create vehicle access consistent with the fire code. Project work will be, primarily, 14 feet of vertical trimming, 10 feet of roadsides, and up to 100 feet for invasive plant removal treatment. Work will be directed by Novato Fire District's vegetation management team, and conducted by local tree service and vegetation management contractors. Trimmings and removed vegetation will be recycled through chipping or composting at regional facilities. Work will be performed at appropriate times of the year in order to reduce the potential for biological impacts.

### *Geographic Scope*

Novato Fire District comprises about 22,000 habitable structures most of which are in the wildland urban interface.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Coupled with education on go bags, maps of evacuation routes, and evacuation drills, improving evacuation route passage is one of the most important elements of fire adapted communities.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* and directly supports the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Section 8.5.1, "Roadside Vegetation Management."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$100,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## **NOVATO FIRE ROAD MAINTENANCE, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Novato, City of San Rafael, College of Marin, County of Marin Fire Department, Marin County Parks, North Marin Water District, PG&E

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.4: Maintain appropriate fire roads vegetation management

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

The hills surrounding the greater Novato community are served by a network of fire roads. These roads cross both public park lands and private ranch lands and in some cases a road crosses multiple ownerships. These roads are important for emergency response, for recreational access, land management, and access to power, water, and telecommunication infrastructure. This project will develop a prioritized action plan for vegetation management projects.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Novato Fire District.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project will allow faster, safer, more effective emergency response to wildland fires and inform land managers and fire agencies on vegetation management needs.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This project is consistent with the CWPP Section 4.8.1, Fire Road and Fuel Break Networks, and Recommendation 4.5, "Continue to maintain fire roads."

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$20,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Elizabeth Neill*

## **NOVATO FIRE SMART DEMONSTRATION GARDENS, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 4: Public Outreach and Education

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 4.2 Conduct outreach and education activities in support Goal #5: Defensible Space and Home Hardening

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Public Education

### *Project Description Summary*

This project will fund additional costs incurred during installation of the demonstration gardens in the Novato Zone, including, but not limited to, signage, fencing, maintenance tools, plant replacements, and educational materials. This project budget will also fund installation of a potential new demonstration garden at another one of Novato Fire District's stations in fiscal year 26/27. This project will increase native plant cover, increase wildlife habitat, and allow for an improved access through public garden walkway. Additionally, the project will allow for increased public education and awareness on fire smart landscaping.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Novato Fire District.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project demonstrates concrete actions that create safer conditions for ignition prevention and fire spread in near home environments.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$90,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## **NOVATO FIRE ADAPTIVE MULTI-MEDIA CAMPAIGN, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 4: Public Outreach and Education

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 4.3 Conduct outreach and education activities to community and strategic partners

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Public Education

### *Project Description Summary*

This is a continuation of Novato Fire District's efforts to reach deeper into the community with regards to wildfire prevention and employing communication consultants to assist with stronger public engagement. The objectives of this project include: create a multi media fire adaptive community campaign that raises the communities level of understanding of what a fire adapted community is and make citizens awareness of the programs, projects, and matching grant opportunities to help saves lives and reduce the structural ignitability of homes. Other programs to highlight include but are not limited to, identification and notification of emergency evacuation routes, understanding of temporary areas of refuge, enrolling in evacuation notification systems, obtaining no cost home evaluations, obtaining matching grants for vegetation management and home hardening opportunities, and obtaining Firewise neighborhood designations. Annual services include: hosting the StopWildfire website where Novato residents request full wildfire mitigation assessments and creating printed materials to share Novato Fire District's specific wildfire mitigation programs. Novato Fire District's contractor also manages direct advertising for the Novato WMS program and the StopWildfire website through physical ads on bus shelters, kiosks in local stores, and downtown banners and online ads. Throughout the year, data collected through the advertising programs are shared with Novato Fire District's team. In fiscal year 25/26, this project funded a photography effort to build a portfolio of professional photos that can be used in future ads and presentations and a door hanger for the wildfire mitigation specialists to drop off to residents that have not received a full assessment.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Novato Fire District.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Public education is a key component to creating fire adapted communities.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategy 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Fire Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$120,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## NOVATO HAZARDOUS VEGETATION REMOVAL PROJECT, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

Private landowners

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

Novato Fire District will operate a direct assistance program. This program will focus on defensible space within 200 feet of the habitable structure on the property and will target hazardous, invasive vegetation. The program is invitation-based, and Novato Fire District's vegetation management team will manage the contractors to perform the vegetation removal work.

Eligibility criteria is as follows:

- 1) property must be adjacent to existing fuel reduction project or within WUI/moderate fire hazard severity zone/high fire hazard severity zone, and
- 2) resident must complete at least one zone 0 resolution prior to the hazardous vegetation removal.

Steps for implementation:

- 1) Resident will sign up for a full assessment with a certified Wildfire Mitigation Specialist (WMS) and a Vegetation Management Specialist (VMS). The WMS will conduct a full assessment and identify priority zone 0 mitigation tasks that would qualify the resident for this direct assistance program. The VMS will walk through zone 1 and zone 2 with the resident to identify where the hazardous vegetation work would be completed.
- 2) Residents conduct work on at least one of the prioritized resolutions. Once completed, the resident will send the before and after photos to the WMS and VMS. Resident may submit the work for a local grant, but the direct assistance is not tied to grant approval.

3) Novato Fire District's vegetation management team will manage contractor to work on the property. Work will occur outside of resident's landscaping and within 200 feet of the habitable structure on site.

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Novato Fire District and adjacent to existing fuel reduction project or within WUI/moderate fire hazard severity zone/high fire hazard severity zone.

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This program will remove additional hazardous vegetation on private parcels and will create additional defensible space. Properly hardened homes with adequate defensible space will allow first responders the greatest opportunity to stop wildfires and reduce/prevent damage. Additionally, this project will extend the existing fuel reduction efforts.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "Vegetation Management Near Communities" and "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$150,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## **VALLEY MEMORIAL PARK EUCALYPTUS REMOVAL AND REVEGETATION, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Novato, Private Landowner

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

After eucalyptus removal at this site, habitat restoration was required in order to restore native plant biodiversity. Multiple planting patches of native plants and trees were installed and annual monitoring is conducted in order to achieve native cover required by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement permit. The CDFW permit for this project requires a high level of success for restoring a native riparian habitat. Replanting was completed in fiscal year 24/25 and the main focus is now invasive plant removal. In fiscal year 26/27, the project budget is increased in order to accommodate a more specialized restoration contractor to focus on invasive plant removal.

### *Geographic Scope*

This project is located within 1.4 acres off Bugeia Lane in Novato.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Fuel breaks on the margins of Fire Adapted Communities is an added level of protection to communities prepared for evacuation, whose homes are hardened and have effective defensible space.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$30,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## **IGNACIO VALLEY FUEL BREAK MAINTENANCE, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Novato

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

The Ignacio Valley fuel break encompasses 51 acres of fuel reduction treatment on City of Novato open space lands immediately adjacent to surrounding homes. Treatment activities would involve vegetation removal and trimming within 10 feet from road edge and up to 100 feet of structures.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the 51 acres of approved project area in Novato.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Fuel breaks on the margins of Fire Adapted Communities is an added level of protection to communities prepared for evacuation, whose homes are hardened and have effective defensible space.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the 2020 Marin County CWPP, including Sections 8.4, "Defensible Space," 8.5, "Non-Residential Vegetation Management," and 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$40,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## **NOVATO OPEN SPACE FUEL REDUCTION, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Novato, HOA With Private Dedicated Open Space

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes the creation and maintenance of a fuel reduction zone adjacent to residences in Novato Open Space properties and HOA-owned Open Space properties. Project activities would include removal and trimming of invasive, introduced species such as broom, acacia, and eucalyptus; removal of dead woody vegetation; and removal and/or trimming of some shrubs and small diameter trees that would create hazardous conditions during a fire.

### *Geographic Scope*

The project area falls completely within City of Novato open space areas and HOA owned open space areas. Shaded fuel breaks will be constructed directly adjacent to hundreds of homes in the project area.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Fuel breaks on the margins of Fire Adapted Communities are an added level of protection to communities prepared for evacuation, whose homes are hardened and have effective defensible space.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$75,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## **MARIN HIGHLANDS FUEL BREAK MAINTENANCE, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Novato, North Marin Water District

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This project is maintenance of a 30-acre fuel break system on City of Novato open space lands in around the Marin Highlands neighborhood. Past hand crew and tree service crew work established the fuel break work which is 100 ft wide adjacent to homes and within the Marin Highlands City Park.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within City of Novato open space and HOA-owned open space in and around the Marin Highlands neighborhood.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Fuel breaks on the margins of fire adapted communities provide an added level of protection to accompany home hardening and defensible space activities.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, "Defensible Space," 8.5, "Non-Residential Vegetation Management," and 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$50,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## **NOVATO BAHIA FUEL BREAK MAINTENANCE, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.2 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in the wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This project is a maintenance of a previously-approved 30-acre fuel break on City of Novato open space lands next to the Bahia neighborhood. Past grazing and hand crew work established this fuel break that is 100 feet wide adjacent to homes as well as along Bahia Drive.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within City of Novato open space around the Bahia neighborhood.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Fuel breaks on the margins of fire adapted communities provide an added level of protection to accompany home hardening and defensible space activities.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, "Defensible Space," 8.5, "Non-Residential Vegetation Management," and 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "On-parcel Risk

Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$50,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## **MARIN VALLEY GOAT GRAZING MAINTENANCE, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Novato

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This project is maintenance of a 30-acre fuel break on City of Novato open space lands that surrounds the Marin Valley Mobile Country Club. Past grazing and hand crew work established the fuel break that is 100 feet wide adjacent to all homes as well as 10 feet on either side of Marin Valley Road beginning to the entrance to the site near Highway 101 and extending over the hill to the community. This road is the only vehicle access in and out of the neighborhood.

### *Geographic Scope*

The project area falls completely within a City of Novato open space areas. There are over 300 residences in the Marin Valley Mobile Home community.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Fuel breaks on the margins of Fire Adapted Communities are an added level of protection to communities prepared for evacuation, whose homes are hardened and have effective defensible space.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, "Defensible Space," 8.5, "Non-Residential Vegetation Management," and 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$40,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

## **GREATER NOVATO SHADED FUEL BREAK, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Novato Fire District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Novato, College of Marin, HOAs With Private Dedicated Open Space, Marin County Parks, North Marin Water District, PG&E

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This project includes vegetation management treatments that reduce fire intensity and severity within open space in Novato. Many open space areas have experienced an unnatural buildup of vegetation due to lack of wildfire, spread of non native invasive species, and other factors. The project treatments are designed with ecosystem stewardship objectives and best management practices of landowners such as Marin County Open Space District and North Marin Water District. Project treatments have primarily consisted of invasive species removal such as broom, acacia, and eucalyptus; in some cases Douglas fir invading oak woodland; removal of dead woody vegetation; and removal and/or trimming of some shrubs and small diameter trees (less than 4 inches DBH) in areas where overcrowding create hazardous conditions during a wildfire. This project proposal includes the funds to cover all project-specific environmental compliance requirements, under the project's California Vegetation Treatment Program document. The remaining project budget will be used towards project implementation. The project is managed by Novato Fire District's vegetation management team.

### *Geographic Scope*

Work to be implemented was identified in the Greater Novato Fuel Break Plan. The potential work area for fiscal year 26/27 covers approximately 2,100 acres in Phases 1, 2 and 3 of the project footprint.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Fuel breaks on the margins of Fire Adapted Communities is an added level of protection to communities prepared for evacuation, whose homes are hardened and have effective defensible space.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$667,117.85

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Sarah Labberton*

# San Rafael Zone Proposals

## San Rafael Zone Budget Summary

San Rafael Zone Local and DSpace Proposals			
	Local	DSpace	Core
SRFD Vegetation and Project Management Staff (Local Share), 2026/27	\$ 280,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
San Rafael Public Education, Outreach and Engagement - 2026/27 (Local cost share)	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Ignition Reduction (Local Share), 2026/27	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Fire Hardened Trails Pilot	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Southern Heights Ridge Fuel Reduction, 2026/27	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
San Rafael Small and Responsive Projects, 2026/27	\$ 200,908.36	\$ -	\$ -
San Rafael Landscape Restoration, 2026/27	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
San Rafael Educational Landscaping Maintenance, 2026/27	\$ 60,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Deer Valley Fuels Reduction Project, 2026/27	\$ 22,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Environmental Compliance and Monitoring, 2026/27	\$ 125,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
City Park Risk Reduction, 2026/27	\$ 215,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
SRFD Vegetation and Project Management Staff (DSpace Share), 2026/27	\$ -	\$ 720,000.00	\$ -
San Rafael Public Education, Outreach and Engagement (DSpace Share), 2026/27	\$ -	\$ 125,000.00	\$ -
San Rafael Residence Assistance (DSpace Share), 2026/27	\$ -	\$ 80,908.36	\$ -
San Rafael Defensible Space Program, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ 187,000.00	\$ -
TOTAL	\$1,112,908.36	\$1,112,908.36	\$ -
AVAILABLE	\$1,112,908.36	\$1,112,908.36	\$ -

<b>Marinwood Local and DSpace</b>			
	Local	DSpace	Core
Marinwood Defensible Space Program, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ 78,496.04	\$ -
Marinwood Fuel Reduction, 2026-27	\$ 78,496.04	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 78,496.04</b>	<b>\$ 78,496.04</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>AVAILABLE</b>	<b>\$ 78,496.04</b>	<b>\$ 78,496.04</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>San Rafael Zone Core Proposals</b>			
	Local	DSpace	Core
SRFD Vegetation and Project Management Staff (Core Share), 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 280,000.00
Ignition Reduction (Core Share), 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00
San Rafael Residence Assistance, 2026/27			\$ 146,291.31
Emergency Alert Registration and Evacuation Awareness Campaign, 2026/27			\$ 40,000.00
San Rafael Evacuation Route Vegetation Management, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00
Evacuation Planning and Implementation, 2026/27			\$ 120,000.00
Safe Parking Guidelines, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,000.00
San Rafael Zone Critical Infrastructure Resiliency, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 185,000.00
Xyloplan Zone Wide Analysis, 2026/27			\$ 50,000.00
Open Space Fuel Break Maintenance, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00
Marinwood and San Rafael Open Space Flashy Fuels Management, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250,000.00
San Rafael San Anselmo Fuel Reduction Zone, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,908.00
San Rafael Hill Fuels Reduction Project, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300,000.00
San Rafael Fire Road Management, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 220,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$1,865,199.31</b>
<b>AVAILABLE</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$1,865,199.31</b>

## City of San Rafael Local and Defensible Space Proposals

### SRFD MANAGEMENT, MITIGATION, AND PREPAREDNESS STAFF (LOCAL SHARE), 2026/27

*Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

*Partner Agency(ies)*

Marinwood CSD

*Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

*Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.2 Create and maintain appropriate defensible space on all parcels

*Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

*Proposal Category*

Staffing

*Project Description Summary*

Job Title: Multiple

Job Description: These funds cover multiple positions funded by the MWPA to work on a variety of Defensible Space and MWPA goal aligned projects, largely focused on community wildfire preparedness, defensible space, vegetation management and evacuation improvement. This staff will be focused on implementing all core projects and some local projects. Funds may be used to support staff with the purchase of tech support, miscellaneous supplies, software subscriptions, uniforms, vehicles, and job-related training. This project will also support administrative functions completed in support of Measure C projects including but not limited to contract processing, legal review and guidance, payroll, and human resources activities.

Summary: Full time staff will work to coordinate MWPA projects, including project design, environmental review coordination, community outreach, Firewise support, emergency alert registration, contracting, daily contractor support and coordination, and maintenance plans. Full time staff are essential to assure projects across the zone are developed and completed in a timely, transparent, and efficient manner.

Position	Local (01)	D-space	Core (02)
Deputy Director	20%	20%	20%
WILDFIRE MITIGATION PRGM MGR		65%	35%
WILDFIRE MITIGATION SPEC III		70%	30%
WILDFIRE MITIGATION SPEC II		85%	15%
WILDFIRE MITIGATION SPECIALIST I		80%	20%
EMERGENCY MGMT COORDINATOR II	60%		
EMERGENCY MGMT COORDINATOR I	55%	10%	
	\$ 321,606.33	\$ 513,804.43	\$ 270,290.27

In addition to the new revenue listed in the budget this project will be supported by approximately \$120,000 in unspent funds from previous years

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of San Rafael

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Staff contribute directly to the goals of Marin Wildfire. The Deputy Director manages the 360 approach to adapting to wildfire. The strategic vision, addressing a variety of issues and mitigation measures all assure that San Rafael become a fire adapted community. Preparedness staff assure all residents have access to information, emergency alerts, and are prepared to evacuate. Wildfire mitigation staff help San Rafael adapt to wildfire through public education, defensible space inspections, and vegetation management.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

These positions are consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," 8.4, "Defensible Space," and 8.5, "Non-Residential Vegetation Management."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Vegetation Management in Open Space," and "Evacuation Planning."

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$280,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Quinn Gardner*

## **SAN RAFAEL PUBLIC EDUCATION, OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT (LOCAL COST SHARE), 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 4: Public Outreach and Education

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 4.4 Provide inclusive outreach and education activities for unique needs communities

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Public Education

### *Project Description Summary*

The purpose of the project is to develop culturally appropriate safety and preparedness messaging and properly distribute through effective channels. Messaging will include exposure to fire mitigation and emergency preparedness initiatives, including introducing new programs, highlighting existing efforts and financial resources available. One of the goals is to improve individual fire adaptability by engaging local stakeholders through specially curated content. For example, creating instructions accompanied with useful tools based on demographic needs. This project will integrate supporting audience-based outreach models thus relying on a combination of outreach methods to deliver services, enhance skills and knowledge, and raise awareness that are tailored to the specific audience(s). Funds may support printed materials, educational and promotional items, signs, rental fees, and other costs associated with connecting with and educating the community.

In addition to the new revenue included in the budget line, approximately \$175,000 in previous year's funds may be used to support this project.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of San Rafael

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Education is instrumental in reducing vulnerability and increasing fire adaptability because it directly enhances critical thinking, improves decision making, and risk perception. Educated people have a

better awareness of risk because it gives them the knowledge and skills to adapt flexibly and accordingly based on their current situation. There are many misconceptions surrounding fire management therefore education plays a crucial role that can effectively create better habits and adapt to living with fire. The goal is to gain understanding and cooperation through carefully drafted messaging. Individual and community preparedness messaging needs to be designed based on individual needs and differences in immediate and extended communities. This includes those with access and functional needs, other languages, and learning styles. If long lasting change is expected, we must meet residents at their current level of understanding.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.2, "Wildfire Preparedness and Planning," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," 8.4, "Defensible Space," and 8.5, "Non-Residential Vegetation Management."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," and "Vegetation Management in Open Space."

This project will support Goal #2 of the approved County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) by enhancing public outreach, awareness, education, and preparedness for local hazards to minimize hazard related losses.

The project builds upon the City of San Rafael's General Plan under Safety and Resilience, policy S 4.2C public education. San Rafael Wildfire Prevention and Protection Action Plan (WPPAP) Action Item 6: Improve public education regarding fire safe landscaping and living with wildfire, Action Item 14: Develop new efforts, solutions, and resources dedicated to wildfire prevention and protection and Action Item 24: Improve the public's fire risk awareness with sign improvements and installations.

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$25,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Quinn Gardner*

## **IGNITION REDUCTION (LOCAL SHARE), 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of San Rafael

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 2: Detection, Alert & Evacuation

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 2.1 Maintain state-of-the-art fire detection and monitoring systems

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Staffing

### *Project Description Summary*

Job Title: Open Space Ranger and Ignition Reduction

Job Description: This proposal supports ignition reduction through patrols, education, enforcement, and suppression equipment (fire extinguishers) distribution. It includes the salary and benefits for Police Rangers and their supervision through a cost share model with the City. This may include part- and full-time employees, managed daily by San Rafael Police, in close coordination with San Rafael Fire. This program aims to prevent ignitions in the open space through the removal of ignition sources and illegal encampments and educating all members of the open space using public about wildfire risks. The Rangers also assure project sites are safe and clear prior to work and help curtail excessive parties and similar dangerous and illegal activities in the open space. The Rangers also report encampments found off San Rafael land to the landowner, including Cal Trans, for follow up action. Additional resources will be given to reduce ignition potential from parks and open spaces including but not limited to retrofitting BBQs to capture embers and distributing fire extinguishers to those in need.

In addition to the new revenue budgeted, this program will be supported by approximately \$200,000 in funds from previous years.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of San Rafael

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project is ongoing and included year round patrols. Through the process of ignition source removal and illegal encampment clearing, the probability of human caused ignitions in the open space is reduced.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "Fire Detection, Alerting, Roadside Clearance."

The San Rafael Ranger Program directly supports the actions and goals outlined in Action Item #46 of the City of San Rafael LHMP (approved 2017, updated 2023), Action Item #27 of the San Rafael Wildfire Prevention and Protection Action Plan (approved 2019), and the San Rafael General Plan 2040.

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$100,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

## **FIRE HARDENED TRAILS PILOT, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.2 Maintain appropriate Vegetation Management in the wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

A Fire-Hardened Trail concept is a designated and managed corridor that combines both vegetation management and recreational trails. It is a planned corridor where the preservation and enhancement of the forest plays a significant role in forest restoration and fuels reduction work. Much like a Shaded Fuel Break, The Fire-Hardened Trail prescription utilizes forest management techniques to create a resilient forest that supports healthy ecosystems, recreational benefits and wildfire resiliency. The community and forest benefits of a Fire-Hardened Trail can be accomplished by creating fuel conditions that pose low wildfire risk to communities while fostering a pattern of forest fuels that slow wildfire spread and intensity when wildfire encounters the trail corridors.

This proposal includes vegetation management activities built off the existing recreational trail network that would reduce fire intensity and severity within wildlands in Harry Barbier Park that have experienced an unnatural buildup of vegetation due to lack of wildfire, spread of non-native invasive species, and other factors. The project considers and incorporates wildfire as an anticipated disturbance and implements management actions that build in mechanical treatments to augment anchor points, ecosystem assets, and firefighter access.

This work would be designed to be consistent with the ecosystem stewardship objectives of reducing wildfire severity to native ecosystems. Project activities would include trimming of invasive, non-native species such as broom and gorse; removal of dead woody vegetation; and removal and/or trimming of some shrubs and small diameter trees in areas where overcrowding would create hazardous conditions during a fire. The trail bed and 15 feet of treated areas on either side

create a reduced ignition zone, and approximately 50 feet of treated areas on either side create a limited spread zone.

### *Geographic Scope*

The geographic scope of this local project is within Harry Barbier Park in San Rafael.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project will increase firefighter safety by creating a more robust system of fuel interruption zones throughout the landscape utilizing existing trails, which will also increase visibility and recreator safety.

These trails provide access and transportation through the forest that can be used to augment or enhance opportunities for forest stewardship, fuel and fire management, and improve or conserve wildlife habitat.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

The project supports the San Rafael WPPAP item 20 to analyze strategic fuel breaks.

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$50,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

## **SOUTHERN HEIGHTS RIDGE FUEL REDUCTION, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes the creation of a fuel reduction zone in public and privately held open adjacent to residences in the Southern Heights Ridge area of San Rafael. Project activities would include removal of invasive, non-native species such as broom, removal of dead woody vegetation; and removal and/or trimming of some shrubs and small diameter trees that would create hazardous conditions during a fire. In addition to the new revenue budget, approximately \$150,000 in previous years revenue will support this project.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of San Rafael

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The Southern Heights Ridge area is the southern jurisdictional border between San Rafael and multiple communities in the Central Marin Zone. creating fuel interruption zones in the open space along this border concurrently with improving house out defensible space in the neighborhoods will reduce the risk of property loss in the area and wildfire spread between communities.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, "Defensible Space," 8.5, "Non-Residential Vegetation Management," and 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$25,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

## **SAN RAFAEL SMALL AND RESPONSIVE PROJECTS, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This project will allow for small projects to be completed that don't fit into larger projects or are complaints or other issues reported by the public. This may include removing small numbers of dead trees near private property, supporting invasive species removal, clearing re growth that creates a hazard, maintenance of completed vegetation management work and fuel breaks, or other similar small vegetation type projects. The work will occur near structures, on San Rafael open space or designated parks, roadways, or other infrastructure. Work may be completed by contracted crews or by adequately trained and equipped San Rafael staff. City staff completing Measure C related activities may be compensated by Measure C when those tasks are directed by the fire department, time and materials are clearly documented, and the tasks being completed are new, expanded, or work that otherwise exceeds their typical duties.

This proposal includes the creation of a fuel reduction zone adjacent to residences in the San Rafael Hill open space area. Project activities would include trimming or removal of invasive, non-native species such as eucalyptus, broom, and acacia; removal of dead woody vegetation; and removal and/or trimming of some shrubs and small diameter trees that would create hazardous conditions during a fire. The fuel reduction zone will expand upon previous defensible space treatments completed in 2021 and treat hazardous vegetation over the entirety of San Rafael Hill.

In addition to new revenue, this project will be supported by approximately \$350,000 in funds from previous years.

### *Geographic Scope*

The geographic scope of this local project is all public land within the San Rafael Zone.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project will allow the City to quickly respond to vegetation issues in the open space as they are discovered and to efficiently mitigate hazards on a smaller scale than Core Funded projects.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," 8.4, "Defensible Space," and 8.5, "Non-Residential Vegetation Management."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," and "Evacuation Planning."

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$200,908.36

Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson

## **SAN RAFAEL LANDSCAPE RESTORATION, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

The purpose of this project is to conduct landscape restorative activities following fuel reduction projects as needed. Following the removal of fire hazardous and invasive plants as part of fuel break construction, roadside and median clearance, or prescribed herbivory, the City may plant native fire adapted species to replace removed invasive or fire hazardous plants, or install erosion control measures if needed. Work may be completed by contracted crews or by adequately trained and equipped San Rafael staff. City staff completing Measure C related activities may be compensated by Measure C when those tasks are directed by the fire department, time and materials are clearly documented, and the tasks being completed is new, expanded, or work that otherwise exceeds their typical duties. This project will be funded in FY 26/27 by new revenue and supported by approximately \$65,000 in funds from previous years.

### *Geographic Scope*

This work will occur on property owned and maintained by the City of San Rafael.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Restoring the landscape to native vegetation communities following the removal of invasive and/or fire hazardous species like broom, eucalyptus, acacia, juniper, and Italian cypress will help San Rafael adapt to wildfire in the long term. Native vegetation communities are more fire resilient in the event of wildfire and will be simpler to maintain as fuel breaks in the WUI.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

The project builds upon the Marin County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) by supporting the Ecologically Sound Practices (ESP) Partnership to mitigate the risk of wildfires while considering ecologically sound practices.

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$10,000

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

## **SAN RAFAEL EDUCATIONAL LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 4: Public Outreach and Education

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 4.4 Provide inclusive outreach and education activities for unique needs communities

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Public Education

### *Project Description Summary*

The City of San Rafael proposes maintaining the firescape demonstration garden located at 618 B Street that serves as an educational resource for homeowners. The project entails ensuring that plants are healthy, irrigation is working, and hardscaping is kept in a safe and aesthetic manner. The landscape integrates Firewise concepts and incorporate educational kiosks. The specific actions that are being advocated for in this specific project are the use landscaping crews to visit the site on a weekly basis to ensure long term health of the garden, weed abatement, and other necessary tasks.

City staff completing Measure C related activities may be compensated by Measure C when those tasks are directed by the fire department, time and materials are clearly documented, and the tasks being completed is new, expanded, or work that otherwise exceeds their typical duties.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of San Rafael

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The regionally appropriate plants in a Firescape Demonstration Garden form a natural vegetative buffer that is as attractive as it is effective against fire.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 *Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 *Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$60,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

## DEER VALLEY FUELS REDUCTION PROJECT, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

The proposed project encompasses performing vegetation thinning and creating a shaded fuel break within the City owned Deer Valley Open Space parcel. Currently, a thick understory of invasive broom and fallen woody debris exists throughout the parcel. The proposed shaded fuel break area is located throughout the entire parcel which straddles several high density housing complexes as well as an assisted living facility. Thinning the stand will significantly reduce wildfire risks along the corridor.

In addition to new revenue, this project will be supported by approximately \$200,000 in revenue from previous years funds.

### *Geographic Scope*

The targeted area is located on the Eastern portion of the San Rafael Zone on the Deer Valley Open Space Parcel. This project will benefit all structures and communities in the immediate area.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project will reduce the density of flammable vegetation, disrupt the vertical and horizontal continuity of their arrangement to starve potential future wildfires of combustible fuels and reduce intensity. Work will focus on reducing ladder fuels and reducing tree density to limit the potential for crown spread.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

The project supports the City of San Rafael’s Wildfire Prevention and Protection Action Plan (WPPAP) initiative to eliminate highly flammable vegetation throughout San Rafael (Item #1), and to establish additional fuel interruption zones (Item #5).

The project builds upon the City of San Rafael General Plan under Safety and Resilience, policy 4.1 G Open Space and Forestry Management. The project helps to support goals laid out in the Marin Local Hazard Mitigation Plan FIR 3 the Creation of Defensible Space and FIR 4 the Removal of Hazardous Fuels from Public Land.

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$22,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Quinn Gardner*

## ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE AND MONITORING, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal for environmental compliance in the San Rafael will supplement the JPA-wide environmental compliance funding. Funds may be used for project implementation costs like nesting bird or botanical surveys, or for new CEQA documentation not accounted for in current or already identified future projects.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of San Rafael Fire.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This proposal supports vegetation management projects that contribute to wildfire adaptation.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *Marin County CWPP*, including 8.4.1, *Improve Defensible Space Around All Structures*, 8.5.1, *Roadside Vegetation Management*, and 8.5.3, *Open Space and Common Space Vegetation Management*.

The project supports the City of San Rafael's Wildfire Prevention and Protection Action Plan (WPPAP) initiative to eliminate highly flammable vegetation throughout San Rafael (Item #1), and to establish additional fuel interruption zones (Item #5).

The project builds upon the City of San Rafael General Plan under Safety and Resilience, policy 4.1 G Open Space and Forestry Management. The project helps to support goals laid out in the Marin Local Hazard Mitigation Plan FIR 3 the Creation of Defensible Space and FIR 4 the Removal of Hazardous Fuels from Public Land.

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$125,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

## CITY PARK RISK REDUCTION, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

The proposed project addresses vegetation management needs within the defensible space zone located between residential development and the developed, maintained portions of City parks. Many parks in San Rafael include areas that are not fully developed and retain wildland characteristics. This project will focus on treating these unmanaged or minimally maintained areas, particularly where they directly abut residential neighborhoods, through the establishment and maintenance of shaded fuel breaks.

Vegetation treatments will target understory fuels and ladder fuels to reduce fire intensity and slow potential fire spread. These improvements will reduce the likelihood of fire ignition and spread originating from high-use park areas, where barbecues, increased visitation, and other human activities elevate ignition risk. By strengthening the defensible space interface between parklands and adjacent residential development, the project will enhance community protection and reduce the risk of fire spread into nearby homes and adjoining open space areas.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of San Rafael

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$215,000

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

## **SRFD VEGETATION AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT STAFF (DSPACE SHARE), 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

Marinwood Community Services District

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

Staffing

### *Project Description Summary*

Job Title: Multiple

Job Description: These funds cover multiple positions, including portions as indicated of the Deputy Director of Emergency Management (20%), Wildfire Program Manager (65%), Wildfire Mitigation Specialists (70-85%), and the Emergency Management Coordinator (10% for translation work), funded by the MWPA to work on a variety of Defensible Space and MWPA goal aligned projects, largely focused on community wildfire preparedness, defensible space, vegetation management and evacuation improvement. In addition to supporting Defensible Space initiatives these staff members will be focused on implementing all core projects and some local projects. Funds may be used to support staff with the purchase of tech support, miscellaneous supplies, software subscriptions, and job-related training, certifications, and licenses. This project will be funded in FY 26/27 by new revenue and supported by approximately \$100,000 in funds from previous years. This project will assure support administrative functions completed in support of Measure C projects including but not limited to contract processing, legal review and guidance, payroll, and human resources activities.

Summary: Full time staff will work to oversee and support the Defensible Space inspection program, conduct inspections, manage the Residence Assistance programs, coordinate MWPA projects, including project design, environmental review coordination, community outreach, contracting, daily contractor support and coordination, and maintenance plans. Full time staff are essential to assure

projects across the zone are developed and completed in a timely, transparent, and efficient manner.

Position	Local (01)	D-space	Core (02)
Deputy Director	20%	20%	20%
WILDFIRE MITIGATION PRGM MGR		65%	35%
WILDFIRE MITIGATION SPEC III		70%	30%
WILDFIRE MITIGATION SPEC II		85%	15%
WILDFIRE MITIGATION SPECIALIST I		80%	20%
EMERGENCY MGMT COORDINATOR II	60%		
EMERGENCY MGMT COORDINATOR I	55%	10%	
	\$ 321,606.33	\$ 513,804.43	\$ 270,290.27

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of San Rafael

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Staff contribute directly to the goals of Marin Wildfire. The Deputy Director manages the 360 approach to adapting to wildfire. The strategic vision, addressing a variety of issues and mitigation measures all assure that San Rafael become a fire adapted community. Preparedness staff assure all residents have access to information, emergency alerts, and are prepared to evacuate. Wildfire mitigation staff help San Rafael adapt to wildfire through public education, defensible space inspections, and vegetation management.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

These positions are consistent the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” 8.4, “Defensible Space.” and 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Evacuation Planning.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$720,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

## **SAN RAFAEL PUBLIC EDUCATION, OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT (DSPACE SHARE), 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 4: Public Outreach and Education

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 4.4 Provide inclusive outreach and education activities for unique needs communities

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

Public Education

### *Project Description Summary*

The purpose of the project is to develop culturally appropriate safety and preparedness messaging and properly distribute through effective channels. Messaging will include exposure to fire mitigation and emergency preparedness initiatives, including introducing new programs, highlighting existing efforts and financial resources available. One of the goals is to improve individual fire adaptability by engaging local stakeholders through specially curated content. For example, creating instructions accompanied with useful tools based on demographic needs. This project will integrate supporting audience-based outreach models thus relying on a combination of outreach methods to deliver services, enhance skills and knowledge, and raise awareness that are tailored to the specific audience(s). This project will also support the maintenance and creation of new and existing demonstration gardens, public signage and art, and education around fire smarter landscape options.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of San Rafael

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Education is instrumental in reducing vulnerability and increasing fire adaptability because it directly enhances critical thinking, improves decision making, and risk perception. Educated people have a better awareness of risk because it gives them the knowledge and skills to adapt flexibly and accordingly based on their current situation. There are many misconceptions surrounding fire

management, therefore education plays a crucial role that can effectively create better habits and adapt to living with fire. The goal is to gain understanding and cooperation through carefully drafted messaging.

Individual and community preparedness messaging needs to be designed based on individual needs and differences in immediate and extended communities. This includes those with access and functional needs, other languages, and learning styles. If long lasting change is expected, we must meet residents at their current level of understanding.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This position is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategy 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Fire Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$125,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Joe Aiello*

## **SAN RAFAEL RESIDENCE ASSISTANCE (DSPACE SHARE), 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 3: Grants

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 3.1 Assist the community with the creation of defensible space

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

Grant Program

### *Project Description Summary*

This project supports residents in their efforts to adapt to wildfire through a variety of programs and means including but not limited to grants/refunds for work completed, home hardening and vegetation direct assistance and extra or on demand chipper days.

San Rafael will partner with service corps organizations (e.g., AmeriCorps or FIRE Foundry), or professional contractors to perform direct assistance in fuel reduction on private property, with potential for fuel reduction activities in open space.

Direct assistance primarily targets properties that are considered high hazard and residents with financial and/or mobility challenges. This Direct assistance program will be in addition to the JPA-wide direct assistance program.

The Grant/Refund program focuses on the highest risks on each parcel, including zone zero, hazardous vegetation removal, vents, gutter guards, combustible fence replacement and similar projects. This funds also support the replacement of wood shake roofs.

In addition to the new revenue included in this budget, this project will be supported by approximately \$850,000 in revenue from previous years.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of San Rafael

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Grant funding and the Direct Assistance Program emphasizes resources to those who are unable to perform the work otherwise given the criteria mentioned above. The grant can be used towards the removal of hazardous vegetation or increasing home hardening standards. Grants and Direct Assistance will be promoted to the public by the San Rafael Fire Department Defensible Space Team during inspections, social media, website, and local events.

This program would create an opportunity to reduce hazardous vegetation in both open space and defensible space throughout San Rafael. Through a direct assistance format, members of the community who are limited by finance or physical disability will have the opportunity to establish a more fire safe property.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

Grant funding and the Direct Assistance Program will help to achieve higher rates of compliance with local city ordinance 4.12. The grant program will be available for individual defensible space improvement as well as HOA organized Hazard mitigation. The Grant and Direct Assistance Programs will directly support objectives from the San Rafael WPPAP: Objective 1. Eliminate highly flammable vegetation throughout San Rafael. Objective 2. Apply vegetation management and defensible space and fire mitigation standards city wild. Objective 21. Increase the number of hardened homes in San Rafael.

This proposal is consistent the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$80,908.36

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

## **SAN RAFAEL DEFENSIBLE SPACE PROGRAM, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.2 Create and maintain appropriate defensible space on all parcels

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

DSpace Evaluations

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes funding for a program to hire and support seasonal Defensible Space Inspectors to inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for hazards related to defensible space, structural hardening, and fire smart landscaping. The program will document existing conditions, recommended mitigation measures, and identify issues related to codes and ordinances. The program will provide community education and support while integrating with other local and Marin Wildfire funded programs such as Chipper Days, residential resale inspections, defensible space grants, evacuation preparedness, evacuation route vegetation management, and other related programs. Partner agencies include Marinwood CSD. This project will be funded in FY 26/27 by new revenue and supported by approximately \$100,000 in funds from previous years.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of San Rafael

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The Defensible Space team has the primary goal of improving the defensible space on private property. Hazard data is collected and used to prioritize follow up inspections and enforcement and measure compliance trends. Evaluations include vacant lots and undeveloped land to create 100 feet of defensible space throughout. Ultimately, face to face interactions during home evacuations provide the educational component to improve wildfire understanding and increase safety in San

Rafael. Defensible Space Staff will implement and oversee 4.12 Code enforcement to support adaptation to living with wildfire throughout the City of San Rafael.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

The project also reinforces local standards outlined in San Rafael City Code 4.12.

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$187,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

# Marinwood CSD Local and Defensible Space Proposals

## MARINWOOD FUEL REDUCTION, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Marinwood Community Services District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of San Rafael

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes the creation of a fuel reduction zone adjacent to residences in the Marinwood CSD area. Project activities would include trimming of invasive, non-native species such as broom, acacia, and eucalyptus; removal of dead woody vegetation; and removal and/or trimming of some shrubs and small diameter trees that would create hazardous conditions during a fire.

### *Geographic Scope*

All fuel reduction work will occur on Marinwood CSD owned lands adjacent to residential development or schools. Some project sites will occur within the interior of the CSD, and some work will occur on the edge of the community at the base of Big Rock Ridge.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project strengthens community fire adaptation by increasing defensible space between the built environment and open space. Improving upon the existing fuel break network in the San Rafael zone may help slow or stop the spread of wildfire towards the built environment or towards open space and surrounding communities.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.4, "Defensible Space" and 8.5, "Non-Residential Vegetation Management."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Vegetation Management in Open Space," and "Evacuation Planning."

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$78,496

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

## **MARINWOOD DEFENSIBLE SPACE PROGRAM, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Marinwood Community Services District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of San Rafael

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.2 Create and maintain appropriate defensible space on all parcels

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

DSpace Evaluations

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes a program that will employ Defensible Space Inspectors to inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for hazards related to defensible space, structural hardening, and fire smart landscaping. The program will document existing conditions, recommended mitigation measures, and identify issues related to codes and ordinances. The program will provide community education and support while integrating with other local and Marin Wildfire funded programs such as Chipper Days, residential resale inspections, defensible space grants, evacuation preparedness, evacuation route vegetation management, and other related programs.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Marinwood Community Services District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The Defensible Space team has the primary goal of improving the defensible space on private property through door to door inspections. Hazard data is collected and used to prioritize follow up inspections, enforcement, and measure compliance trends. Evaluations include vacant lots and undeveloped land to create 100 feet of defensible space throughout. Ultimately, face to face interactions during home evacuations provide the educational component to improve wildfire understanding and increase safety in Marinwood CSD.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

The project reinforces local standards outlined in San Rafael City Code 4.12 and Marinwood Fire Code Section 4907.2 of Chapter 49 which outlines a 100ft defensible space criteria.

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$78,496

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

## San Rafael Zone Core Proposals

### SRFD VEGETATION AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT STAFF (CORE SHARE), 2026/27

*Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

*Partner Agency(ies)*

Marinwood Community Services District

*Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

*Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

*Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

*Proposal Category*

Staffing

*Project Description Summary*

Job Title: Multiple

Job Description: These funds cover multiple positions funded by the Marin Wildfire to work on a variety of Defensible Space and Marin Wildfire goal aligned projects, largely focused on community wildfire preparedness, defensible space, vegetation management and evacuation improvement. This staff will be focused on implementing all core projects and some local projects. Funds may be used to support staff with the purchase of tech support, miscellaneous supplies, software subscriptions, and job-related training. These funds cover multiple positions, including portions as indicated of the Deputy Director of Emergency Management (20%), Wildfire Program Manager (35%), and Wildfire Mitigation Specialists (15 35%).

Summary: Full time staff will work to coordinate Marin Wildfire projects, including project design, environmental review coordination, community outreach, contracting, daily contractor support and coordination, and maintenance plans. Full-time staff are essential to assure projects across the zone are developed and completed in a timely, transparent, and efficient manner.

Position	Local (01)	D-space	Core (02)
Deputy Director	20%	20%	20%
WILDFIRE MITIGATION PRGM MGR		65%	35%
WILDFIRE MITIGATION SPEC III		70%	30%
WILDFIRE MITIGATION SPEC II		85%	15%
WILDFIRE MITIGATION SPECIALIST I		80%	20%
EMERGENCY MGMT COORDINATOR II	60%		
EMERGENCY MGMT COORDINATOR I	55%	10%	
	\$ 321,606.33	\$ 513,804.43	\$ 270,290.27

*Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of San Rafael

*Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Staff contribute directly to the goals of Marin Wildfire. The Deputy Director manages the 360 approach to adapting to wildfire. The strategic vision, addressing a variety of issues and mitigation measures all assure that San Rafael become a fire adapted community. Preparedness staff assure all residents have access to information, emergency alerts, and are prepared to evacuate. Wildfire mitigation staff help San Rafael adapt to wildfire through public education, defensible space inspections, and vegetation management.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

These positions are consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” 8.4, “Defensible Space.” and 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Evacuation Planning.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$280,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Quinn Gardner*

## IGNITION REDUCTION (CORE SHARE), 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of San Rafael

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 2: Detection, Alert & Evacuation

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 2.1 Maintain state-of-the-art fire detection and monitoring systems

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Staffing

### *Project Description Summary*

Job Title: Open Space Ranger and Ignition Reduction

Job Description: This proposal supports ignition reduction through patrols, education, enforcement, and suppression equipment (fire extinguishers) distribution. It includes the salary and benefits for Police Rangers and their supervision. This may include part- and full-time employees, managed daily by San Rafael Police, in close coordination with San Rafael Fire. This program aims to prevent ignitions in the open space through the removal of ignition sources and illegal encampments and educating all members of the open space using public about wildfire risks. The Rangers also assure project sites are safe and clear prior to work and help curtail excessive parties and similar dangerous and illegal activities in the open space. The Rangers also report encampments found off San Rafael land to the landowner, including Cal Trans, for follow up action. Additional resources will be given to reduce ignition potential from parks and open spaces including but not limited to retrofitting BBQs to capture embers and distributing fire extinguishers to those in need. This portion is part of the Core to account for work across jurisdictional lines and with zone wide benefit.

Summary: This proposal includes the continued employment of Open Space Rangers to continue the San Rafael Ranger Program. This program aims to prevent ignitions in the open space year-round through the removal of ignition sources and illegal encampments. The Rangers also assure project sights are safe and clear prior to work and help curtail excessive parties and similar dangerous and illegal activities in the open space. The Rangers also report encampments found off San Rafael land to the landowner, including Cal Trans, for follow up action. Additional resources

will be given to reduce ignition potential from parks and open spaces including but not limited to retrofitting BBQs to capture embers.

In addition to new revenue, this program will be supported by approximately \$25,000 in funds from previous years.

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of San Rafael.

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project is ongoing and included year round patrols. Through the process of ignition source removal and illegal encampment clearing, the probability of human caused ignitions in the open space is reduced.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "Fire Detection, Alerting, Roadside Clearance."

#### *FY2026/27 Budget*

\$20,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

## **SAN RAFAEL ZONE RESIDENCE ASSISTANCE (CORE SHARE), 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 3: Grants

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 3.1 Assist the community with the creation of defensible space

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Grant Program

### *Project Description Summary*

San Rafael will have a variety of programs and means to support residents efforts to adapt to wildfire. This project will focus on providing grants and direct assistance to meet municipal code requirements, Zone Zero standards and home hardening recommendations. San Rafael will partner with service corps organizations (e.g, AmeriCorps or The Fire Foundry Crew), or professional contractors to perform direct assistance in fuel reduction on private property, with potential for fuel reduction activities in open space. San Rafael will also partner with professional contractors to complete home hardening retrofit projects on private property. Project costs include stipends directly to service corps members, housing for members, transportation costs, and debris management. Direct assistance primarily targets properties that are considered high hazard and residents with financial and/or mobility challenges. In addition to the project specific budget, residents will be directly assisted through the JPA-wide grant dollars allocated to San Rafael.

### *Geographic Scope*

As a core project, these funds will be available to the entire San Rafael Zone, including Marinwood and the CSAs.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Grant funding and the Direct Assistance Program emphasizes resources to those who are unable to perform the work otherwise given the criteria mentioned above. The grant can be used towards the removal of hazardous vegetation or increasing Home Hardening standards. Grants and Direct

Assistance will be promoted to the public by the San Rafael Fire Department Defensible Space Team during inspections, social media, website, and local events.

This program would create an opportunity to reduce hazardous vegetation in both open space and defensible space throughout San Rafael. Through a direct assistance format, members of the community who are limited by finance or physical disability will have the opportunity to establish a more fire safe property.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

Grant funding and the Direct Assistance Program will help to achieve higher rates of compliance with local city ordinance 4.12. The grant program will be available for individual defensible space improvement as well as HOA organized Hazard mitigation. The Grant and Direct Assistance Programs will directly support objectives from the San Rafael WPPAP: *Objective 1, Eliminate highly flammable vegetation throughout San Rafael; Objective 2, Apply vegetation management and defensible space and fire mitigation standards city wide; and Objective 21, Increase the number of hardened homes in San Rafael.*

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$146,291.31

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

## **EMERGENCY ALERT REGISTRATION AND EVACUATION AWARENESS CAMPAIGN, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

County of Marin Fire, Marinwood CSD

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 2: Detection, Alert & Evacuation

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective Provide resources and best practices to facilitate residents' evacuation planning

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Alerts/Notifications

### *Project Description Summary*

This project will work to increase Emergency Alert registrations throughout the San Rafael Zone through direct campaigns, public engagement, trusted messengers and other tactics. Examples of costs include printing, outreach, media buys, outreach contractors, engagement material and others. There will be a focus on multilingual communication.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the San Rafael Zone.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Assuring emergency alert registration is a critical step to assuring people can evacuate before or during a wildfire emergency.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach" and 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation

Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Fire Detection, Alerting, and Roadside Clearance” and “Evacuation Planning.”

Increasing Alert registration is a key goal for San Rafael City Council and one of the key focus areas of the CWPP priority areas. This also serves to address the findings from the evacuation study and the San Rafael Wildfire Action Plan.

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$40,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Quinn Gardner*

## **SAN RAFAEL EVACUATION ROUTE VEGETATION MANAGEMENT, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

County of Marin Fire, Marinwood Community Services District

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.3 Maintain appropriate roadside vegetation management

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Evacuation Routes

### *Project Description Summary*

Evacuation road clearance throughout the San Rafael Zone, including incorporated San Rafael, Marinwood CSD, CSA 13, and CSA 19 will reduce hazardous vegetation along roadways and disrupt the vertical and horizontal continuity of existing roadside vegetation to starve potential future wildfires of combustible fuels and reduce intensity. The overall outcome will create safe emergency egress and access. The work will expand work completed in previous years and maintain previously completed areas.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of San Rafael

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project will reduce fire hazardous vegetation along roadways which will, in turn, reduce ignition potential and reduce heat effects to road users in the event of a life threatening event.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* and directly supports the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Section 8.5.1, "Roadside Vegetation Management."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation

Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

This project directly correlates to Wildfire Prevention and Protection Action Plan (WPPAP) Item(s) 1 outlining the elimination of highly flammable vegetation throughout San Rafael & 28 the reduction of vegetation along roadways.

The project builds upon the City of San Rafael General Plan under Safety and Resilience, program S 4.2B undertake a tree safety program. The project will help build upon the Marin County Multi Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan FIR 1 for appropriate access and evacuation in hillside Wildland Urban Interface areas.

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$100,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Quinn Gardner*

## **SAN RAFAEL EVACUATION ROUTE PLANNING PROJECT, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

County of Marin Fire, Marinwood Community Services District

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 2: Detection, Alert & Evacuation

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Provide resources and best practices to improve the safety of evacuation routes

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Evacuation Routes

### *Project Description Summary*

The City of San Rafael is seeking professional consulting services to develop a customized, large-scale vehicle multi evacuation route plan, including traffic control measures necessary for evacuation of main local arteries across the City. The plan should focus on getting vehicles safely onto HWY 101, as a primary safety corridor with alternatives westward and include an evacuation plan for commuters, as needed and appropriate. The plans should include mapping, detailed traffic control plans for intersections, and lists of needed equipment and resources for implementation. The City has data available relating to number of homes, vehicles, and variable populations. The focus of this plan is on traffic control, not alerts and warnings, as it applies to wildfire evacuation needs. Consideration should be applied to pedestrian and bicycle evacuation, if needed. In addition to an overview, the plan should focus on developing traffic control measures for the following areas/situations:

- Evacuation of Terra Linda and surrounding areas via the Manuel T Frietas key artery
- Evacuation of the East San Rafael, including the Canal District
- Evacuation of Marinwood and Lucas Valley areas via the key artery of Lucas Valley Road
- Evacuation of Downtown San Rafael, including 5th Ave, D Street, and the surrounding neighborhoods
- Evacuation of the Point San Pedro Rd Corridor and connecting neighborhoods
- Evacuation of Santa Venetia and surrounding areas via the key artery of North San Pedro

- Evacuation of Marinwood and Lucas Valley via Lucas Valley/Smith Ranch Road

### *Geographic Scope*

The San Rafael zone

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The plan and equipment will assure large scale evacuations can be quickly and effectively implemented and identify needs for future work.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* and directly supports the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Section 8.5.1, “Roadside Vegetation Management” and Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Evacuation Planning.”

This project directly correlates to Wildfire Prevention and Protection Action Plan (WPPAP) Item(s) 1 outlining the elimination of highly flammable vegetation throughout San Rafael & 28 the reduction of vegetation along roadways.

The project builds upon the City of San Rafael General Plan under Safety and Resilience, program S 4.2B undertake a tree safety program. The project will help build upon the Marin County Multi Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan FIR 1 for appropriate access and evacuation in hillside Wildland Urban Interface areas.

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$120,000

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Quinn Gardner*

## **SAFE PARKING GUIDELINES, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 2: Detection, Alert & Evacuation

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 2.3 Provide resources and best practices to improve the safety of evacuation routes

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Evacuation Routes

### *Project Description Summary*

The San Rafael Zone Wide Safe Parking Guidelines program will assess and improve emergency vehicle access and emergency egress on narrow and winding roads through implementing parking changes or restrictions. After installation, the signs, paint, and/or boxes will clearly mark where it is possible to park and still allow emergency vehicles access and resident egress. Installing the boxes and signage provides a nuanced approach that improves public safety while limiting the impact on available parking as much as possible. Work may be completed by contractors or City staff as additional duties. The main focus for 2026-2027 will be in Marinwood and CSA areas and primarily utilize no parking zones.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the San Rafael zone.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The parking box program will cover installation of parking boxes, signage for narrow roads, and curb painting. These steps will reduce risks associated with fire through the standardization of parking placement on narrow roads throughout San Rafael. By implementing parking boxes, the program will enable open access routes for emergency vehicles and open up egress routes for evacuation.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach" and 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "Fire Detection, Alerting, and Roadside Clearance" and "Evacuation Planning."

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$40,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

## **SAN RAFAEL ZONE CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE RESILIENCY, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

County of Marin Fire, Marinwood Community Services District, Marin Water

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Detection Alert and Evacuation

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Provide resources and best practices to improve the safety of evacuation routes

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Evacuation Routes

### *Project Description Summary*

This project addresses wildfire resilience concerns related to critical infrastructure systems that support emergency response, fire suppression operations, evacuation, and post-fire community recovery within the wildland-urban interface (WUI). Informed by challenges observed during recent large wildfire incidents throughout California, the project will identify, assess, map, and improve critical infrastructure assets necessary to maintain reliable emergency operations before, during, and after wildfire events.

Project activities will include evaluating the condition, accessibility, operational readiness, and resilience of infrastructure systems and facilities that support wildfire response and recovery. This may include fire protection water supply infrastructure, emergency access routes, critical fire roads, communications systems, backup power capabilities, staging and operational areas, evacuation support infrastructure, and other assets critical to maintaining continuity of emergency services during disasters.

Funding will support infrastructure inspections and assessments, GIS mapping and data development, vegetation clearance and access improvements around critical assets, operational testing, and targeted repairs or upgrades where vulnerabilities are identified. The Marin County Fire Foundry crews may be utilized to conduct infrastructure assessments and any indicated vegetation management work.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the San Rafael Zone

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Assuring critical infrastructure is in working order is essential to stop wild land fires from entering populated and developed areas and support emergency response, evacuation, communications, and power supply. It also helps assure structure fires to not become wildfires and works to assure responder safety during a response.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach" and 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "Fire Detection, Alerting, and Roadside Clearance" and "Evacuation Planning."

The project also supports item 20 of the San Rafael Wildfire Prevention and Protection Action Plan to identify fire roads in need of strategic surface improvements to ensure safe access.

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$185,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Quinn Gardner*

## **XYLOPLAN ZONE-WIDE ANALYSIS, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

County of Marin Fire, Marinwood CSD

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

D-space and Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

**Objective 5.3** Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Metrics/Data/GIS/CWPP

### *Project Description Summary*

The City of San Rafael will contract with XyloPlan to expand urban conflagration modeling beyond the Marin Community Fund grant funded opportunity across the San Rafael Zone. Modeling will cover incorporated San Rafael, CSA 19, CSA 13, and Marinwood Community Services District. Results of the modeling will help inform defensible space inspection priorities, identify areas to focus financial resource programs, help define opportunities for Firewise community creation, and support suppression response strategy.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the San Rafael Zone

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Modeling results will help identify the most at risk areas of San Rafael and Marinwood to direct flame exposure and ember cast and staff can prioritize public education, defensible space evaluations, and distribution of resources in the most vulnerable areas of the Zone.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

Completing Xyloplan risk modeling in the San Rafael Zone is directly aligned with the Marin County CWPP's intent to identify and prioritize wildfire risks. The new modeling results will build upon the

existing results to identify where to increase defensible space, home hardening, and vegetation management to interrupt wildfire pathways throughout the Zone.

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$50,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

## **OPEN SPACE FUEL BREAK MAINTENANCE, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

The proposed project encompasses performing vegetation maintenance activities on areas previously treated or approved as shaded fuel breaks within the City of San Rafael Zone. Typical treatments may include a variety of methods with a focus on removing fall in, invasive species, regrowth and overgrowth.

### *Geographic Scope*

The scope of the project includes all previously installed Marin Wildfire fuel breaks within the San Rafael Zone and the assets they originally were intended to protect.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project will reduce the density of flammable vegetation, disrupt the vertical and horizontal continuity of their arrangement to starve potential future wildfires of combustible fuels and reduce intensity. Work will focus on reducing ladder fuels and reducing tree density to limit the potential for crown spread.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, "Defensible Space," 8.5, "Non-Residential Vegetation Management," and 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

The project supports the City of San Rafael’s Wildfire Prevention and Protection Action Plan (WPPAP) initiative to eliminate highly flammable vegetation throughout San Rafael (Item #1), and to establish additional fuel interruption zones (Item #5). The project builds upon the Marin County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) to continue to focus efforts on removing hazardous vegetation adjacent to the built environment. The project meets the core MWPA goals of improving wildfire resilience and adaptation through returning areas with fire hazardous invasive vegetation to a more native state. The project builds upon the City of *San Rafael General Plan* under *Safety and Resilience, Policy 4.1 G, Open Space and Forestry Management*. The project helps to support goals laid out in the Marin Local Hazard Mitigation Plan *FIR 3, The Creation of Defensible Space* and *FIR 4, The Removal of Hazardous Fuels from Public Land*.

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$100,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Quinn Gardner*

## MARINWOOD AND SAN RAFAEL OPEN SPACE FLASHY FUELS MANAGEMENT, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

Marinwood Community Services District

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This project includes string trimming, mowing, grazing with goats, sheep, and/or other livestock as appropriate within non-native annual grasslands and oak woodland in the San Rafael Zone to reduce fuel loading and control non-native grasses and weeds. Livestock would be contained by a portable, electric fence.

### *Geographic Scope*

This project will occur on multiple parcels of open space owned by the City of San Rafael and Marinwood CSD. Hundreds of homes, several PG&E distribution lines, 1 MMWD water tower, and 2 communication towers in the treated areas will be better protected from the effects of wildfire.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project will help to reduce fine flashy fuels in open space areas that are adjacent to the built environment. Through reducing fuel height and density, fire will not spread as readily in these areas and will allow for slower spread and more rapid suppression efforts.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

The project supports the City of San Rafael’s Wildfire Prevention and Protection Action Plan (WPPAP) initiative to eliminate highly flammable vegetation throughout San Rafael (Item #1), and to establish additional fuel interruption zones (item #5).

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$250,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Calvin Schrader*

## **SAN RAFAEL SAN ANSELMO FUEL REDUCTION ZONE (SAN RAFAEL COST SHARE), 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of San Rafael, County of Marin Fire, Marin County Parks, Private Landowner, Town of San Anselmo

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.2 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in the wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes vegetation management activities that would reduce fire intensity and severity within wildlands in San Rafael and San Anselmo that have experienced an unnatural buildup of vegetation due to lack of wildfire, spread of non-native invasive species, and other factors. This work would be designed to be consistent with the ecosystem stewardship objectives of Marin County Parks, the City of San Rafael, and Town of San Anselmo. Project activities would include trimming and removal of invasive, non-native species such as eucalyptus, and broom species; removal of dead woody vegetation; and removal and/or trimming of some shrubs and small diameter trees in areas where overcrowding would create hazardous conditions during a fire.

### *Geographic Scope*

The project is located adjacent to residential development between San Rafael, San Anselmo, and Sleepy Hollow. The majority of the project area is located on a dry southwest facing slope.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project contributes to fire adaptation by creating a strategically located shaded fuel break in open space between multiple communities. The eventual partial conversion of the non-native eucalyptus stand to a native fire adapted plant community will help reduce fuel break maintenance costs into the future.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

The project also builds upon the City of San Rafael General Plan under Safety and Resilience, policy S 4.1D: Wildfire Fuel Breaks which mentions the need to create fuel interruption zones and expand upon zones already in place. The project will tie directly into existing fuel reduction grazing areas and the Greater Ross Valley Fuel Break, which will help create a contiguous fuel break between San Rafael and central Marin communities. The project supports the San Rafael Wildfire Action Plan #1 & 5. The project help accomplish part of the Marin County Multi Jurisdiction Local Hazard Mitigation Plan in that it identifies and prioritizes areas for fuel reduction activities. The project supports fuel reduction projects identified in the Marin County Parks Vegetation and Biodiversity Management Plan.

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$13,908.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

## **SAN RAFAEL HILL FUELS REDUCTION PROJECT, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

The proposed project encompasses performing vegetation thinning and creating a shaded fuel break within the City owned San Rafael Hill Open Space parcel. Currently, a thick understory of invasive broom, gorse, and fallen woody debris exists throughout the parcel. The proposed shaded fuel break area is located throughout the entire parcel which straddles a large number of single family homes. Thinning the stand will significantly reduce wildfire risks along the corridor.

### *Geographic Scope*

The targeted area is located on the Southern portion of the San Rafael Zone on the San Rafael Hill Open Space Parcel. This project will benefit all structures and communities in the immediate area.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project will reduce the density of flammable vegetation, disrupt the vertical and horizontal continuity of their arrangement to starve potential future wildfires of combustible fuels and reduce intensity. Work will focus on reducing ladder fuels and reducing tree density to limit the potential for crown spread.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, "Defensible Space," 8.5, "Non-Residential Vegetation Management," and 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

The project also supports the City of San Rafael’s Wildfire Prevention and Protection Action Plan (WPPAP) initiative to eliminate highly flammable vegetation throughout San Rafael (Item #1), and to establish additional fuel interruption zones (Item #5).

The project builds upon the City of San Rafael General Plan under Safety and Resilience, *Policy 4.1 G, Open Space and Forestry Management*. The project helps to support goals laid out in the Marin Local Hazard Mitigation Plan *FIR 3 the Creation of Defensible Space* and *FIR 4 the Removal of Hazardous Fuels from Public Land*.

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$300,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Quinn Gardner*

## **SAN RAFAEL FIRE ROAD MANAGEMENT, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of San Rafael

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

Marinwood CSD, California State Parks, Marin County Fire

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.4 Maintain appropriate Fire Roads Vegetation Management

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes integrated vegetation management and fire road improvements designed to reduce wildfire intensity, improve fire suppression access, and protect nearby communities within the San Rafael–Marinwood–Novato wildland-urban interface. Hazardous fuel conditions resulting from historic fire suppression, invasive species growth, and vegetation buildup have increased the risk of high-severity wildfire threatening adjacent residential neighborhoods.

Vegetation management activities along fire roads and within the WUI will reduce hazardous fuel loads and improve defensible space through the removal or trimming of invasive species, dead woody vegetation, and overcrowded shrubs and small-diameter trees. Work will be consistent with the ecosystem stewardship objectives of the City of San Rafael, Marinwood Community Services District, and California State Parks.

A key component of the proposal is the Queenstone Fire Road Repair Project, which will restore a critical fire apparatus access route serving the ridge between Marinwood and Novato. Existing erosion, surface degradation, and inadequate drainage have reduced reliable emergency access in this high-risk WUI corridor.

Road improvements, including regrading, surface restoration, and drainage enhancements, will be performed by Marin County Fire HFEOs as an in-kind contribution to the project. Measure C funding will support the purchase of materials necessary to complete these improvements and restore the road to fire access standards. Together, the vegetation treatments and road rehabilitation efforts on

select roads will improve firefighter access and mobility, strengthen regional suppression capabilities, and reduce the likelihood of wildfire spreading from surrounding open space into nearby communities.

#### *Geographic Scope*

This project will cover fire roads within the San Rafael Zone, focusing on roads that travel through open space owned by San Rafael, California State Parks, and Marinwood CSD.

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project strengthens community fire adaptation by increasing and maintaining access for emergency response vehicles and equipment to remote wildland areas in the event of a wildland fire. Improving upon the existing fuel break network and restoring critical road surfaces to improve access will directly enhance the ability of Fire and mutual aid partners to respond in the San Rafael zone may help slow or stop the spread of wildfire towards the built environment or towards open space and surrounding communities

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

Fire road vegetation management and road surface improvements directly support multiple regional and local wildfire planning objectives, including Action Items #1, 5, 8, and 20 of the Marin County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP), which identify the Marinwood and surrounding WUI areas as high-priority zones for wildfire risk reduction and emphasize the importance of fuel reduction and maintained fire apparatus access routes for effective suppression response. The projects are also consistent with the City of San Rafael General Plan Safety and Resilience Policy S 4.1D: Wildfire Fuel Breaks, which calls for the creation and expansion of fuel interruption zones, as well as the Marin County Multi-Jurisdictional Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP), which identifies wildfire as one of the County's most significant natural hazards and prioritizes fuel reduction and infrastructure improvements that enhance emergency response capability. Additionally, the projects support the goals of the Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority Strategic Plan by advancing community-level wildfire resilience investments across jurisdictional boundaries. The Marinwood Community Services District's fire safety and emergency response planning also recognizes maintained fire access roads as a foundational component of wildfire preparedness, and this project represents a direct implementation of those priorities.

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$220,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Kate Anderson*

# Southern Marin Zone Proposals

## Southern Marin Zone Budget Summary

<b>City of Mill Valley Local and DSpace Proposals</b>			
	Local	DSpace	Core
MLV Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program, 2026-27	\$ 145,282.29	\$ -	\$ -
Mill Valley Fire Safe Gardens, 2026-27	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
MLV Emergency Notification and Education, 2026-27	\$ 17,900.00	\$ -	\$ -
MLV Community Fuels Management, 2026-27	\$ 90,864.00	\$ -	\$ -
SMFD: Staff Support: DSpace Inspector, Vegetation Management Specialist, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ 284,046.29	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 284,046.29	\$ 284,046.29	\$ -
AVAILABLE	\$ 284,046.29	\$ 284,046.29	\$ -
<b>Muir Beach Community Services District Local and DSpace Proposals</b>			
	Local	DSpace	Core
Muir Beach Equipment Fund, 2026-27	\$ 6,258.47	\$ -	\$ -
Muir Beach FireWise Support, 2026-27	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
Muir Beach Defensible Space Tree Thinning, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ 2,202.47	\$ -
Muir Beach Defensible Space Inspections, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ 5,056.00	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 7,258.47	\$ 7,258.47	\$ -
AVAILABLE	\$ 7,258.47	\$ 7,258.47	\$ -
<b>Southern Marin Zone: SMFD Local and DSpace Proposals</b>			
	Local	DSpace	Core
SMFD Vegetation Management Program Equipment, 2026-27	\$ 49,651.30	\$ -	\$ -
Southern Marin Community Fuels Management, 2026-27	\$ 105,000.00	\$ -	\$ -
SMFD Defensible Space Inspection and Evaluation Program, 2026-27	\$ 268,920.00	\$ -	\$ -
SMFD Emergency Notification and Education, 2026-27	\$ 114,201.00	\$ -	\$ -
SMFD/MVFD Deputy Fire Marshal, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ 177,772.30	\$ -
Vegetation Management Specialists, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ 182,000.00	\$ -
SMFD DSpace Inspector, Full Time, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ 178,000.00	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 537,772.30	\$ 537,772.30	\$ -
AVAILABLE	\$ 537,772.30	\$ 537,772.30	\$ -

<b>Southern Marin Zone: Core Proposals</b>			
	Local	Dspace	Core
MLV Community Adaptation Program (CAP), 2026-27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 65,000.00
SMFD Community Adaptation Program (CAP), 2026-27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00
Sausalito Community Adaptation Program (CAP), 2026-27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 90,000.00
Tam Valley/Homestead Valley Community Adaptation Program (CAP), 2026-27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 90,000.00
Tamalpais Homestead Valley Fuel Break, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00
Sausalito Forest Health Project, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 90,000.00
Ring Mountain Fuel Break, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 85,000.00
Greater Mill Valley Fuel Break, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 268,466.21
Muir Beach Upper Park Trail Fuel Break Maintenance, 2026/27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,000.00
Terwilliger Grove Evacuation Route Vegetation Management, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 80,000.00
Muir Beach Hwy 1 Evacuation Corridor / Banducci Ranch, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00
Highway 1 Evacuation Corridor, Southbound, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40,000.00
SMFD Vegetation Management Program Equipment, 2026-27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,243,466.21</b>
<b>AVAILABLE</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 1,243,466.21</b>

*Note: In addition to the projects and programs listed in the FY2026-27 Work Plan, member agencies may also continue to implement and maintain projects or programs from previous work plans with unspent funds.*

# Mill Valley Local and Defensible Space Proposals

## MLV DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTION AND EVALUATION PROGRAM, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

City of Mill Valley

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

Bolinas Fire Department, City of Larkspur, Inverness Fire District, Kentfield Fire District, County of Marin Fire, Muir Beach Community Services District, Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District, Southern Marin Fire Protection District, Town of Fairfax, Town of Ross

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

DSpace Evaluations

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal supports the Southern Marin Zone component of the multi-agency Defensible Space and Home Hardening Evaluation and Inspection Program. This program would be managed in cooperation with Marin County Fire Department and the West Marin Fire Agencies and aims to utilize Seasonal Defensible Space Inspectors to inspect thousands of properties annually in more than 20 communities. Supported with a variety of hardware and software tools, office spaces, and fuel-efficient utilizing fleet transportation, inspectors will provide state of the art defensible space and home hardening evaluations, education, initial and follow up defensible space code compliance inspections, and data collection to enhance future Marin Wildfire programs and analysis. This DSpace funding would be utilized to supplement the 20% allocation by member agencies to support expanded program cost, including expanded year-round and seasonal labor, reinspection costs, and capital investment in tools, transportation, operations spaces, and staffing.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of Mill Valley.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Adequate defensible space is required for a fire adapted community.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$145,282.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Fred Hilliard*

## **MLV FIRE SAFE GARDENS, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of Mill Valley

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 4: Public Outreach and Education

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 4.2 Conduct outreach and education activities in support Goal #5: Defensible Space and Home Hardening

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Public Education

### *Project Description Summary*

This project will renovate the landscaping at multiple City-owned locations within the City of Mill Valley to model best practices for a fire smart residential landscape. The City of Mill Valley Gold Club house has a barren landscape that could best showcase the opportunity to model both zone zero and best practices. This hillside landscape with existing noncombustible terraces allow for a stacked landscape approach to showcase a variety of native and local options. The old 1900s building with wood siding has the opportunity to showcase the benefits of Zone Zero and home hardening options. The project will primarily renew the landscaping with fire smart plant choices, low water use, and high habitat value. Priority will be given to native species that perform well in a garden environment and are commercially available. The project will have onsite signage to explain ideal Fire-wise landscaping features and methods.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of Mill Valley

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Adequate defensible space is required for a fire adapted community.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$30,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Fred Hilliard*

## **MLV EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION AND EDUCATION, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of Mill Valley

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Mill Valley, Fire Safe Marin, County of Marin Fire, Private Landowners, Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 2: Detection, Alert & Evacuation

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 2.2 Encourage redundant Information, Warning and Alerting systems for all residents & Visitors

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Public Education

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes several components.

One portion of this project will be to continue to improve Southern Marin Emergency Notification Network by selecting, reviewing, and preparing additional siren site locations; considering additional redundant power sources for sirens; and supporting educational and public outreach around evacuation and notification awareness.

Another portion of this project includes preparation of evacuation maps highlighting evacuation zones, primary/secondary routes, and Community Refuge Areas.

Budget Allocation for Personnel and Environmental Compliance Sixteen percent (16%) of the total project budget is designated for cost recovery of personnel services provided by the Southern Marin Fire Protection District (SMFD). These funds will reimburse SMFD for staff time allocated to the following positions across project planning, implementation, field surveying, and public events and outreach: Wildfire Mitigation Specialist (WMS), Deputy Fire Marshal (DFM), Prevention Administrative Aide, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Communications Coordinator, and Vegetation Management Specialist (VMS). An additional ten percent (10%) of the total project budget is reserved for cost recovery of environmental review, regulatory filings, and associated compliance activities performed by SMFD personnel. This allocation covers SMFD staff time

required to conduct environmental assessments, data collection, and documentation necessary to meet both the Marin Wildfire and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) standards and protocols. These activities ensure the project maintains full environmental compliance while generating the technical data and records required by applicable state and federal regulatory frameworks.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of Mill Valley

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project will reduce risks by:

1. Providing redundant notification systems for time critical evacuation notices
2. Ensuring residents understand evacuation zones and routes before an emergency
3. Improving public awareness of evacuation procedures through education
4. Creating clear, accessible evacuation maps for residents and visitors
5. Establishing reliable emergency alerting capabilities even during power outages
6. Reducing evacuation confusion through strategic signage and mapping
7. Increasing the likelihood of successful evacuations during wildfire events

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This project is consistent with Section 8.6.5 "Long Range Acoustic Devices for Evacuation Alerts" of the Marin County CWPP and the following Recommended Action: 5.4 Promote LRADs in areas that could benefit from the technology. It also meets goals of sections 8.1 (Public Education) and 8.2 (Wildfire Preparedness) in the CWPP.

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "Evacuation Planning" and "Alerting."

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$17,900.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: | Marshall Nau*

## **MLV COMMUNITY FUELS MANAGEMENT, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of Mill Valley

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Mill Valley, GGNRA, HOA With Private Dedicated Open Space, County of Marin Fire, Marin County Parks, Marin Water, PG&E, Private Landowners, Southern Marin Fire Protection District, State Parks

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes vegetation management activities that would reduce fire intensity and severity within the defensible space around homes and structures within the community of the City of Mill Valley. These properties and open space areas have experienced an unnatural buildup of vegetation due to lack of management, spread of non-native invasive species, and other factors. This work, if it were to be completed on public lands, would be designed to be consistent with the ecosystem stewardship objectives of National Park Service (GGNRA), California State Parks, Marin County Parks, and Marin Municipal Water District, while respecting private property management goals across the Wildland Urban Interface. Project activities would include trimming of invasive, non-native species such as French broom, acacia, eucalyptus, ivy, and pampas grass; invasive native species such as Douglas fir encroaching into oak woodlands and coyote brush in grassland within the communities; removal of dead woody vegetation; and removal and/or trimming of some shrubs and small diameter trees in areas where overcrowding would create hazardous conditions during a fire.

### *Geographic Scope*

The Southern Marin Community Fuels Management project encompasses critical Wildland Urban Interface areas within the Southern Marin Fire Protection District's jurisdiction

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The Southern Marin Community Fuels Management project will reduce wildfire risks through multiple complementary approaches:

- Fuel Reduction and Fire Behavior Modification:
- Creates strategic fuel breaks to reduce fire intensity and rate of spread
- Removes ladder fuels that could carry fire into tree canopies
- Reduces available fuel loading in critical defense zones
- Modifies vegetation arrangements to limit fire pathway opportunities
- Decreases likelihood of sustained crown fire development
- Creates conditions more conducive to successful fire suppression

Operational Improvements:

- Enhances firefighter access and safety during initial attack
- Provides strategic control points for fire suppression activities
- Improves emergency response times through corridor maintenance
- Creates defensible space around critical infrastructure
- Establishes and maintains anchor points for fire suppression
- Reduces ember production potential during wildfire events

Community Protection:

- Reduces fire intensity near residential areas
- Improves evacuation route safety through vegetation management
- Creates maintainable fuel reduction zones around communities
- Limits potential for structure ignition through ember cast
- Provides buffer zones between wildlands and developed areas
- Increases time available for evacuation during wildfire events

These modifications will significantly improve the community's wildfire resilience by limiting fire intensity, reducing spread rates, and creating conditions where fire suppression efforts can be more effective. The project's systematic approach ensures that treatments are strategically located to maximize risk reduction benefits while creating sustainable, maintainable conditions.

The scope of this project has a projected implementation cost associated with staff support that is up to 12% of the allocated total that is budgeted annually for the project. This amount is to be determined based on the allocated staff time provided to implement the project in all phases; including but not limited to design, scoping, field review, environmental compliance, mapping, community outreach, technical analysis, hiring, developing RFPs, ordering, travel costs, code review, data collection, MWPA related training, implementation meetings & project supervision and oversight.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This project directly supports multiple objectives outlined in the 2020 CWPP, particularly focusing on recommendations listed under sections 8.5.3 Open Space and Common Space Vegetation Management. The project aligns with key CWPP strategies including:

- Working collaboratively with public and private landowners to maintain fuel reduction zones; Implementing strategic fuel breaks along the Wildland Urban Interface;
- Creating fire adapted communities through coordinated vegetation management;
- Supporting evacuation route and roadside fuel management efforts;

The project also integrates with:

- Southern Marin Fire Protection District's Strategic Plan priorities for creating fire resilient communities;
- Marin Municipal Water District's Biodiversity, Fire, and Fuels Integrated Plan;
- Local municipal general plan safety elements for Mill Valley, Sausalito, and adjacent communities;
- Golden Gate National Recreation Area Fire Management Plan;
- Existing Firewise Community Action Plans within the district;
- CAL FIRE's Strategic Fire Plan for Marin County;

Additionally, this project complements existing neighborhood scale vegetation management programs and builds upon successful fuel reduction projects completed in previous years. The comprehensive approach ensures that treatments align with both regional wildfire prevention strategies and local community protection priorities while maintaining consistency with environmental regulations and land management objectives.

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$90,864.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Marshall Nau*



## **SMFD STAFF SUPPORT: DSPACE INSPECTOR, VEGETATION MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of Mill Valley

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

Southern Marin Fire District

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.2 Create and maintain appropriate defensible space on all parcels

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

Staffing

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal partially funds staff to support Measure C funded efforts, including full-time Inspector and Vegetation Management Specialist, and duties carried out by the DFM for WUI and vegetation management.

Inspector duties include:

- Analyze structure ignition potential in the wildland/urban interface using a science-based approach Identify appropriate construction materials, material ratings, and techniques for the wildland/urban interface
- Determine the hazard, risk, and values at risk rating, for a wildland/urban interface jurisdictional area
- Make mitigation recommendations based on wildland fire behavior Identify appropriate construction methods and materials to reduce the risk of structure ignition in the wildland/urban interface area
- Accurately assess the potential for structure ignitions in wildland/urban interface fire, using scientifically based analysis
- Apply a hazard assessment system to a project, property, or jurisdictional area
- Assist in the planning phase of homes and subdivisions within the wildland/urban interface

- Create a mitigation plan using treatment appropriate for the wildland/urban interface  
Implement fuel modification plans to reduce wildland/urban interface hazards
- Apply effective mitigation treatment techniques based on wildland fire behavior
- Recommend appropriate mitigation strategies for the wildland/urban interface
- Prepare clear written treatment prescriptions, and initiate and sustain required fuel modification activities
- Assist with development and implementation of a wildland/urban interface public education program
- Assist with development of written, and audio-visual materials, on the wildland/urban interface fire environment and mitigation techniques
- Coordinate or provide presentations on wildland/urban interface and wildland fire issues
- Attend, on occasion, a variety of continuing education classes, seminars, and/or meetings; remain current on applicable codes, regulations, policies, and procedures Interpret and enforce provisions of fire prevention codes and fire safety laws and standards and ordinances
- Perform routine safety evaluations & inspections of new and existing buildings, structures and installations requiring fire clearances; identify fire hazards; recommend corrective actions; perform follow up inspections to see confirm corrective actions have been taken
- Perform wildland/urban interface and other vegetation hazard evaluations and inspections
- Investigate public and referred public agency complaints which involve
- District attention and resolution of issues
- Prepare reports related to fire prevention and mitigation activities

Vegetation Management Specialist duties include:

- Implementation, enforcement, and maintaining programs related to vegetation management projects, defensible space assessments, Firewise© programs, chipper days and public education in the related field.
- The VMS shall perform independent site evaluations located on privately and publicly owned properties that are typically located in the designated Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) areas within the Southern Marin Fire District, Mill Valley Fire Department, Marin County Fire Department and Muir Beach Fire Department jurisdictions.
- In addition, the VMS may be assigned to evaluate properties on City, County and Federal owned open space lands that are adjacent to structures or access roads located within the surrounding areas of the fire district.
- The VMS will be coordinating vegetation Core projects and, in some cases, helping with Local mitigation projects.
- In addition, the VMS will evaluate properties for compliance with all relevant California State Fire Codes (CSFC), California Public Resource Codes (CPRC), Wildland Urban Interface codes and local ordinances.
- The VMS will work directly with MWPA, SMFD, MVFD and MCFD to provide assistance with projects, site evaluations, and community education.
- Under the supervision of the Fire Marshal or designee, performs defensible space inspections, provides direction to seasonal fire inspectors, field training, and quality assurance oversight to assigned staff; reviews and evaluates inspection reports for quality,

consistency, and accuracy and provides feedback to help improve performance; provides lead direction to assigned staff; assists with the management of the “Defensible Space” inspection program including both regional and local programs, performs Wildland Urban Interface and other vegetation hazard evaluations and inspections; develops, plans, oversees, and monitors vegetation management projects and/or programs, including projects related to fire fuel modification, working closely with local fire agencies, public land managers, nongovernmental organizations, and adjacent private property owners; and performs related duties as assigned.

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of Mill Valley

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Defensible space inspections are an essential component of fire adapted communities.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” and 8.4, “Defensible Space,” and 8.5, “Non-residential Vegetation Management.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$284,046.29

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Marshall Nau*

# Muir Beach Community Services District Local and Defensible Space Proposals

## MUIR BEACH EQUIPMENT FUND, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Muir Beach Community Services District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Equipment

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes funding for equipment to manage local vegetation reduction projects, specifically a flail mower.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Muir Beach Community Services District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

A flail mower will assist in creating and maintaining defensible space within the Muir Beach Service District.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal includes equipment to support implementation of mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *Marin County CWPP*, including 8.4.1, *Improve Defensible Space*

*Around All Structures, 8.5.1, Roadside Vegetation Management, and 8.5.3, Open Space and Common Space Vegetation Management.*

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management in Open Space” and “Vegetation Management Near Communities.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

*\$6,202.47*

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | David Taylor*

## **MUIR BEACH FIREWISE SUPPORT, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Muir Beach Community Services District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 4: Public Outreach and Education

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 4.3 Conduct outreach and education activities to community and strategic partners

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Public Education

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes support for the Muir Beach Firewise Community. Activities conducted by the Muir Beach Firewise Community may include the creation or updating of community risk assessments or their three year action plan, as outlined by Firewise USA. The Community would also engage in educational outreach to the greater community to assist residents in better addressing wildfire risks through creation of defensible space around individual homes.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Muir Beach Community Services District

### *Contribution to Fire Adaptation*

Firewise Communities assist residents in raising awareness for wildfire prevention, organizing community level events to support wildfire risk reduction and to create a fire adapted community. The support of such a community based organization in an area such as Muir Beach would allow the community to further their risk reduction on top of any existing or planned MWPA projects in the area.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, and addresses Sections 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach" and 8.2, "Wildfire Preparedness and Planning."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Evacuation Planning” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$1,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | David Taylor*

## **MUIR BEACH DEFENSIBLE SPACE TREE THINNING, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Muir Beach Community Services District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

Muir Beach will use their remaining defensible space funds to assist community members in limbing or removing hazardous trees within the defensible space zone.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Muir Beach Community Services District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Defensible space acts as a critical buffer, slowing wildfire spread and reducing home ignition from embers, flames, and radiant heat. By managing vegetation and creating zones around structures, this practice improves a home's chances of survival, provides safety for firefighters, and minimizes structure loss, which are key pillars of community wildfire adaptation.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the Marin County CWPP, including 8.4.1, Improve Defensible Space Around All Structures.

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting,"

“Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$6,258.47

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | David Taylor*

## **MUIR BEACH DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTIONS, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Muir Beach Community Services District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.2 Create and maintain appropriate defensible space on all parcels

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

DSpace Evaluations

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes a program that will employ Wildfire Mitigation Specialists to inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for hazards related to defensible space, structural hardening, and fire smart landscaping. The program will document existing conditions, recommended mitigation measures, and identify issues related to codes and ordinances. The program will provide community education and support while integrating with other local and Marin Wildfire funded programs such as Chipper Days, residential resale inspections, defensible space grants, evacuation preparedness, evacuation route vegetation management, and other related programs.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Muir Beach Community Services District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Defensible space inspections are an essential component of fire adapted communities.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the 2020 Marin County CWPP Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$5,056.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | David Taylor*

# Southern Marin Fire Protection District Local and Defensible Space Proposals

## SMFD VEGETATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM EQUIPMENT, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Equipment

### *Project Description Summary*

The primary goal of this project is to secure funding for our VMS personnel and projects to cover operational expenses related to equipment directly associated with our projects. These materials may include but are not limited to, radios, tools maintenance and storage, erosion control materials, radios for communication on remote project sites, e-bikes for efficient project monitoring, and a storage unit for housing our tools, erosion, and restoration materials.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

These tools will be used to support vegetation management projects.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management in Open Space” and “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$49,651.30

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: | Madison Mead*

## SOUTHERN MARIN COMMUNITY FUELS MANAGEMENT, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Mill Valley, GGNRA, HOA With Private Dedicated Open Space, County of Marin Fire, Marin County Parks, Marin Water, PG&E, Private Landowners, Southern Marin Fire Protection District, State Parks

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes vegetation management activities that would reduce fire intensity and severity within wildlands in Southern Marin that have experienced an unnatural buildup of vegetation due to lack of wildfire, spread of non-native invasive species, and other factors. This work would be designed to be consistent with the ecosystem stewardship objectives of National Park Service (GGNRA), California State Parks, Marin County Parks, and Marin Municipal Water District, while respecting private property management goals across the Wildland Urban Interface. Project activities would include trimming of invasive, non-native species such as French broom, acacia, eucalyptus, ivy, and pampas grass; invasive native species such as Douglas fir encroaching into oak woodlands and coyote brush in grassland communities; removal of dead woody vegetation; and removal and/or trimming of some shrubs and small diameter trees in areas where overcrowding would create hazardous conditions during a fire.

The project would include the following efforts:

- Application of direct assistance to homeowners for home hardening and vegetation clearing
- Establishment of future grants to homeowners for home hardening and vegetation clearing
- Roadway clearing for fire apparatus access and egress needs based on primary and secondary routes of travel to fire roads

- Completion of specified work in predetermined Community Fuels Management Project Action Plans (PAPs). PAPs are established by local fire experts reviewing current surface fuel conditions while overlaying modern fire flow modeling.
- Supporting local fire fuels reduction crews in project implementation and preparation.
- Providing Firewise community support in chippers and vegetation drop off events

All vegetation work completed by this project is intended to be completed within the perimeters of the SMFD boundaries. The completed work would be provided by SMFD and other partnering agencies to ensure the successful integration of the City of Sausalito, Town of Tiburon, and Marin County residents and communities at large.

### *Geographic Scope*

The Southern Marin Community Fuels Management project encompasses critical Wildland Urban Interface areas within the Southern Marin Fire Protection District's jurisdiction.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The Southern Marin Community Fuels Management project will reduce wildfire risks through multiple complementary approaches:

- Fuel Reduction and Fire Behavior Modification:
  - Creates strategic fuel breaks to reduce fire intensity and rate of spread
  - Removes ladder fuels that could carry fire into tree canopies
  - Reduces available fuel loading in critical defense zones
  - Modifies vegetation arrangements to limit fire pathway opportunities
  - Decreases likelihood of sustained crown fire development
  - Creates conditions more conducive to successful fire suppression

Operational Improvements:

- Enhances firefighter access and safety during initial attack
- Provides strategic control points for fire suppression activities
- Improves emergency response times through corridor maintenance
- Creates defensible space around critical infrastructure
- Establishes and maintains anchor points for fire suppression
- Reduces ember production potential during wildfire events

Community Protection:

- Reduces fire intensity near residential areas
- Improves evacuation route safety through vegetation management
- Creates maintainable fuel reduction zones around communities
- Limits potential for structure ignition through ember cast
- Provides buffer zones between wildlands and developed areas
- Increases time available for evacuation during wildfire events

These modifications will significantly improve the community's wildfire resilience by limiting fire intensity, reducing spread rates, and creating conditions where fire suppression efforts can be more

effective. The project's systematic approach ensures that treatments are strategically located to maximize risk reduction benefits while creating sustainable, maintainable conditions.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This project directly supports multiple objectives outlined in the 2020 Marin County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP), particularly focusing on recommendations listed under sections 8.5.3 Open Space and Common Space Vegetation Management.

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the 2026 Marin County CWPP, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “On-parcel Risk Reduction” and “Vegetation Management Near Communities.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$105,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Marshall Nau*

## **SMFD DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTION AND EVALUATION PROGRAM - 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

Bolinas Fire Department, City of Larkspur, City of Mill Valley, County of Marin Fire, Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District, Southern Marin Fire Protection District, Stinson Beach Fire Department, Town of Corte Madera, Town of Fairfax, Town of Ross, Town of San Anselmo

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Dspace Evaluations

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal supports the Southern Marin Zone component of the multi-agency Defensible Space and Home Hardening Evaluation and Inspection Program. This program would be managed in cooperation with Marin County Fire Department and the West Marin Fire Agencies, and aims to utilize 24 Seasonal Defensible Space Inspectors to inspect 15,000 to 20,000 properties annually in more than 20 communities. Supported with a variety of hardware and software tools, office spaces, and fuel efficient utilizing fleet transportation, inspectors will provide state of the art defensible space and home hardening evaluations, education, initial and follow up defensible space code compliance inspections, and data collection to enhance future MWPA programs and analysis. This DSpace funding would be utilized to supplement the 20% allocation by member agencies to support expanded program cost, including expanded year round and seasonal labor, reinspection costs, and capital investment in tools, transportation, operations spaces, and staffing.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Southern Marin Fire Protection District

*Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Adequate defensible space is required for a fire adapted community

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$268,920.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Fred Hilliard*

## SMFD EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION AND EDUCATION, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Mill Valley, Fire Safe Marin, County of Marin Fire, Private Landowners, Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 2: Detection, Alert & Evacuation

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 2.2 Encourage redundant Information, Warning and Alerting systems for all residents & visitors

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Local

### *Proposal Category*

Public Education

### *Project Description Summary*

This project will improve Southern Marin Emergency Notification Network by selecting, reviewing, and preparing additional siren site locations; considering additional redundant power sources for sirens; and supporting educational and public outreach around evacuation and notification awareness. The project includes evacuation maps highlighting evacuation zones, primary/secondary routes, and Community Refuge Areas.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project will reduce risks by:

1. Providing redundant notification systems for time critical evacuation notices
2. Ensuring residents understand evacuation zones and routes before an emergency
3. Improving public awareness of evacuation procedures through education
4. Creating clear, accessible evacuation maps for residents and visitors
5. Establishing reliable emergency alerting capabilities even during power outages
6. Reducing evacuation confusion through strategic signage and mapping

7. Increasing the likelihood of successful evacuations during wildfire events

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This project is consistent with Section 8.6.5, "Long Range Acoustic Devices for Evacuation Alerts" of the *2020 Marin County CWPP* and the following Recommended Action: 5.4 Promote LRADs in areas that could benefit from the technology.

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "Alerting" and "Evacuation Planning."

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$114,201.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: | Marshall Nau*

## **SMFD/MVFD DEPUTY FIRE MARSHAL, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Mill Valley

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

Staffing

### *Project Description Summary*

The Fire Marshal will:

- Analyze structure ignition potential in the wildland/urban interface using a science based approach.
- Identify appropriate construction materials, material ratings, and techniques for the wildland/urban interface.
- Determine the hazard, risk, and values at risk rating, for a wildland/urban interface jurisdictional area.
- Make mitigation recommendations based on wildland fire behavior.
- Identify appropriate construction methods and materials to reduce the risk of structure ignition in the wildland/urban interface areas.
- Accurately assess the potential for structure ignitions in wildland/urban interface areas, using scientifically based analysis.
- Apply a hazard assessment system to a project, property, or jurisdictional area.
- Assist in the planning phase of homes and subdivisions within the wildland/urban interface.
- Create a mitigation plan using treatment appropriate for the wildland/urban interface. Implement fuel modification plans to reduce wildland/urban interface hazards.
- Apply effective mitigation treatment techniques based on wildland fire behavior. Recommend appropriate mitigation strategies for the wildland/urban interface.
- Prepare clear written treatment prescriptions and initiate and sustain required fuel modification activities.
- Assist with development and implementation of a wildland/urban interface public education program.

- Assist with development of written, and audio-visual materials, on the wildland/urban interface fire environment and mitigation techniques.
- Coordinate or provide presentations on wildland/urban interface and wildland fire issues.
- Attend, on occasion, a variety of continuing education classes, seminars, and/or meetings; remain current on applicable codes, regulations, policies, and procedures.
- Interpret and enforce provisions of fire prevention codes and fire safety laws and standards and ordinances.
- Perform routine safety evaluations & inspections of new and existing buildings, structures and installations requiring fire clearances; identify fire hazards; (recommend corrective actions; perform follow up inspections to see and confirm corrective actions have been taken).
- Perform wildland/urban interface and other vegetation hazard evaluations and inspections. Investigate public and referred public agency complaints which involve District attention and resolution of issues.
- Work directly with contractors to prepare project scope information and guidance.
- Oversee local mitigation projects related to ongoing programs.
- Review grant material and approve related applications for Marin Wildfire reimbursement and prepare reports related to fire prevention and mitigation activities.

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Southern Marin Fire Protection District

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This position promotes wildfire adaptation in the built environment.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.1, "Public Education and Community Outreach," 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability," and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$177,772.30

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Fred Hilliard*

## VEGETATION MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Mill Valley, Muir Beach Community Services District

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.2 Create and maintain appropriate defensible space on all parcels

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Staffing

### *Project Description Summary*

The staff in this proposal will consist of two (2) Vegetation Management Specialists (VMS) positions assigned to Marin Wildfire related projects. This proposal includes elements of one or both VMS positions overseeing a seasonal program of seasonal staff that will support the inspection and evaluation of residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for hazards related to defensible space, structural hardening, and fire smart landscaping. The program will document existing conditions, recommended mitigation measures, and identify issues related to codes and ordinances. The program will provide community education and support while integrating with other local and Marin Wildfire funded programs such as Chipper Days, residential resale inspections, defensible space grants, evacuation preparedness, evacuation route vegetation management, and other related programs. Additional vegetation related services are managed by this position annually through the direct assistance, on demand chippers, paved road fuel reduction, and community fuels management.

The VMS positions will be responsible for implementation, enforcement, and maintaining programs related to vegetation management projects, defensible space assessments, Firewise® programs, chipper days and public education in the related field. The VMS shall perform independent site evaluations located on privately and publicly owned properties that are typically located in the designated Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) areas within the Southern Marin Fire District, Mill Valley Fire Department, Marin County Fire Department and Muir Beach Fire Department jurisdictions. In

addition, the VMS may be assigned to evaluate properties on City, County and Federal owned open space lands that are adjacent to structures or access roads located within the surrounding areas of the fire district. The VMS will be coordinating vegetation Core projects and, in some cases helping with Local mitigation projects. In addition, the VMS will evaluate properties for compliance with all relevant California State Fire Codes (CSFC), California Public Resource Codes (CPRC), Wildland Urban Interface codes and local ordinances. The VMS will work directly with MWPA, SMFD, MVFD and MCFD to provide assistance with projects, site evaluations, and community education. Under the supervision of the Fire Marshal or designee, performs defensible space inspections, provides direction to seasonal fire inspectors, field training, and quality assurance oversight to assigned staff; reviews and evaluates inspection reports for quality, consistency, and accuracy and provides feedback to help improve performance; provides lead direction to assigned staff; assists with the management of the “Defensible Space” inspection program including both regional and local programs, performs Wildland Urban Interface and other vegetation hazard evaluations and inspections; develops, plans, oversees, and monitors vegetation management projects and/or programs, including projects related to fire fuel modification, working closely with local fire agencies, public land managers, non-governmental organizations, and adjacent private property owners; and performs related duties as assigned.

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the the Southern Marin Fire Protection District

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Positions such as this conduct planning, implementation, and monitoring of wildfire risk reduction projects and programs.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This position implements projects and programs consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Chapter 8, “Mitigation Measures and Strategies,” particularly Strategies 8.1, “Public Education and Community Outreach,” 8.3, “Reducing Structural Ignitability,” 8.4, “Defensible Space,” and 8.5, “Non-residential Vegetation Management.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$182,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Marshall Nau*

## SMFD DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTOR, FULL TIME, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.2 Create and maintain appropriate defensible space on all parcels

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Defensible Space

### *Proposal Category*

Staffing

### *Project Description Summary*

Under the supervision of the Fire Marshal or designee, the Defensible Space Inspector is responsible for performing such duties as wildfire defensible space inspections and home safety assessments. The position will involve, to varying degrees, public education, public relations, weed abatement, and record keeping and report writing. Specifically:

- Analyze structure ignition potential in the wildland/urban interface using a science-based approach
- Identify appropriate construction materials, material ratings, and techniques for the wildland/urban interface
- Determine the hazard, risk, and values at risk rating, for a wildland/urban interface jurisdictional area
- Make mitigation recommendations based on wildland fire behavior
- Identify appropriate construction methods and materials to reduce the risk of structure ignition in the wildland/urban interface area
- Accurately assess the potential for structure ignitions in wildland/urban interface fire, using scientifically based analysis
- Apply a hazard assessment system to a project, property, or jurisdictional area
- Assist in the planning phase of homes and subdivisions within the wildland/urban interface
- Create a mitigation plan using treatment appropriate for the Wildland Urban Interface
- Implement fuel modification plans to reduce wildland/urban interface hazards
- Apply effective mitigation treatment techniques based on wildland fire behavior

- Recommend appropriate mitigation strategies for the wildland/urban interface
- Prepare clear written treatment prescriptions, and initiate and sustain required fuel modification activities
- Assist with development and implementation of a wildland/urban interface public education program
- Assist with development of written, and audio-visual materials, on the wildland/urban interface fire environment and mitigation techniques
- Coordinate or provide presentations on wildland/urban interface and wildland fire issues
- Attend, on occasion, a variety of continuing education classes, seminars, and/or meetings; remain current on applicable codes, regulations, policies, and procedures
- Interpret and enforce provisions of fire prevention codes and fire safety laws and standards and ordinances
- Perform routine safety evaluations & inspections of new and existing buildings, structures and installations requiring fire clearances; identify fire hazards; recommend corrective actions; perform follow up inspections to see confirm corrective actions have been taken
- Perform Wildland Urban Interface and other vegetation hazard evaluations and inspections
- Investigate public and referred public agency complaints which involve District attention and resolution of issues
- Prepare reports related to fire prevention and mitigation activities
- Performs other duties as required

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Southern Marin Fire District

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Defensible space inspections are an essential component of fire adapted communities.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This position implements projects and programs consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Chapter 8, "Mitigation Measures and Strategies," particularly Strategies 8.3, "Reducing Structural Ignitability" and 8.4, "Defensible Space."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," "Evacuation Planning," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction." In particular, this proposal supports "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Roadside Clearance," and "On-parcel Risk Reduction."

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$178,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Fred Hilliard*

# Southern Marin Zone Core Proposals

## MLV COMMUNITY ADAPTATION PROGRAM (CAP), 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Mill Valley, Fire Safe Marin, GGNRA, HOA With Private Dedicated Open Space, County of Marin Fire, Marin County Parks, Marin Water, PG&E, Private Landowner, Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Grant Program

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes a series of direct assistance style programs that will expand on the work of the Wildfire Mitigation Specialists who inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for hazards related to defensible space, structural hardening, and fire smart landscaping. The program initiatives will use documented existing conditions to recommend mitigation measures, and assist residents in creating defensible space in their Zone 0 areas around their homes and expanding on home hardening efforts with vents, gutters, gates, and eaves. The program will provide community education and support while integrating with other local and Marin Wildfire funded programs such as Chipper Days, residential resale inspections, defensible space grants, evacuation preparedness, evacuation route vegetation management, and other related programs. Budget Allocation for Personnel and Environmental Compliance: Sixteen percent (16%) of the total project budget is designated for cost recovery of personnel services provided by the Southern Marin Fire Protection District (SMFD). These funds will reimburse SMFD for staff time allocated to the following positions across project planning, implementation, field surveying, and public events and outreach: Wildfire Mitigation Specialist (WMS), Deputy Fire Marshal (DFM), Prevention Administrative Aide, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Communications

Coordinator, and Vegetation Management Specialist (VMS). An additional ten percent (10%) of the total project budget is reserved for cost recovery of environmental review, regulatory filings, and associated compliance activities performed by SMFD personnel. This allocation covers SMFD staff time required to conduct environmental assessments, data collection, and documentation necessary to meet both the Marin Wildfire and CEQA standards and protocols. These activities ensure the project maintains full environmental compliance while generating the technical data and records required by applicable state and federal regulatory frameworks.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within City of Mill Valley, in the jurisdiction of the Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The Southern Marin CAP projects will reduce wildfire risks through multiple complementary approaches:

Fuel Reduction and Fire Behavior Modification:

- Creates strategic fuel breaks to reduce fire intensity and rate of spread;
- Removes ladder fuels that could carry fire into tree canopies;
- Reduces available fuel loading in critical defense zones;
- Modifies vegetation arrangements to limit fire pathway opportunities;
- Decreases likelihood of sustained crown fire development;
- Creates conditions more conducive to successful fire suppression;

Operational Improvements:

- Enhances firefighter access and safety during initial attack;
- Provides strategic control points for fire suppression activities;
- Improves emergency response times through corridor maintenance;
- Creates defensible space around critical infrastructure;
- Establishes and maintains anchor points for fire suppression;
- Reduces ember production potential during wildfire events;

Community Protection:

- Reduces fire intensity near residential areas;
- Improves evacuation route safety through vegetation management;
- Creates maintainable fuel reduction zones around communities;
- Limits potential for structure ignition through ember cast;
- Provides buffer zones between wildlands and developed areas;
- Increases time available for evacuation during wildfire events;

These modifications will significantly improve the community's wildfire resilience by limiting fire intensity, reducing spread rates, and creating conditions where fire suppression efforts can be more effective. The project's systematic approach ensures that treatments are strategically located to maximize risk reduction benefits while creating sustainable, maintainable conditions.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This project directly supports multiple objectives outlined in the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, particularly focusing on recommendations listed under sections 8.5.3, “Open Space and Common Space Vegetation Management.” The project aligns with key CWPP strategies including:

- Working collaboratively with public and private landowners to maintain fuel reduction zones;
- Implementing strategic fuel breaks along the Wildland Urban Interface;
- Creating fire adapted communities through coordinated vegetation management;
- Supporting evacuation route and roadside fuel management efforts;

The project also integrates with:

- Southern Marin Fire Protection District's Strategic Plan priorities for creating fire resilient communities;
- Marin Municipal Water District's Biodiversity, Fire, and Fuels Integrated Plan;
- Local municipal general plan safety elements for Mill Valley, Sausalito, and adjacent communities;
- Golden Gate National Recreation Area Fire Management Plan;
- Existing Firewise Community Action Plans within the district;
- CAL FIRE's Strategic Fire Plan for Marin County;

This project also complements existing neighborhood scale vegetation management programs and builds upon successful fuel reduction projects completed in previous years. The comprehensive approach ensures that treatments align with both regional wildfire prevention strategies and local community protection priorities while maintaining consistency with environmental regulations and land management objectives.

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$65,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Marshall Nau*

## **SMFD COMMUNITY ADAPTATION PROGRAM (CAP), 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Mill Valley, Fire Safe Marin, GGNRA, HOA With Private Dedicated Open Space, County of Marin Fire, Marin County Parks, Marin Water, PG&E, Private Landowner, Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Grant Program

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes a series of direct assistance style programs that will expand on the work of the Wildfire Mitigation Specialists who inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for hazards related to defensible space, structural hardening, and fire smart landscaping. The program initiatives will use documented existing conditions to recommend mitigation measures, and assist residents in creating defensible space in their Zone 0 areas around their homes and expanding on home hardening efforts with vents, gutters, gates, and eaves. The program will provide community education and support while integrating with other local and Marin Wildfire funded programs such as Chipper Days, residential resale inspections, defensible space grants, evacuation preparedness, evacuation route vegetation management, and other related programs. Budget Allocation for Personnel and Environmental Compliance: Sixteen percent (16%) of the total project budget is designated for cost recovery of personnel services provided by the Southern Marin Fire Protection District (SMFD). These funds will reimburse SMFD for staff time allocated to the following positions across project planning, implementation, field surveying, and public events and outreach: Wildfire Mitigation Specialist (WMS), Deputy Fire Marshal (DFM), Prevention Administrative Aide, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Communications Coordinator, and Vegetation Management Specialist (VMS). An additional ten percent (10%) of the total project budget is reserved for cost recovery of environmental review, regulatory filings, and associated compliance activities performed by SMFD personnel. This allocation covers SMFD staff

time required to conduct environmental assessments, data collection, and documentation necessary to meet both the Marin Wildfire and CEQA standards and protocols. These activities ensure the project maintains full environmental compliance while generating the technical data and records required by applicable state and federal regulatory frameworks.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The Southern Marin CAP projects will reduce wildfire risks through multiple complementary approaches:

Fuel Reduction and Fire Behavior Modification:

- Creates strategic fuel breaks to reduce fire intensity and rate of spread;
- Removes ladder fuels that could carry fire into tree canopies;
- Reduces available fuel loading in critical defense zones;
- Modifies vegetation arrangements to limit fire pathway opportunities;
- Decreases likelihood of sustained crown fire development;
- Creates conditions more conducive to successful fire suppression;

Operational Improvements:

- Enhances firefighter access and safety during initial attack;
- Provides strategic control points for fire suppression activities;
- Improves emergency response times through corridor maintenance;
- Creates defensible space around critical infrastructure;
- Establishes and maintains anchor points for fire suppression;
- Reduces ember production potential during wildfire events;

Community Protection:

- Reduces fire intensity near residential areas;
- Improves evacuation route safety through vegetation management;
- Creates maintainable fuel reduction zones around communities;
- Limits potential for structure ignition through ember cast;
- Provides buffer zones between wildlands and developed areas;
- Increases time available for evacuation during wildfire events;

These modifications will significantly improve the community's wildfire resilience by limiting fire intensity, reducing spread rates, and creating conditions where fire suppression efforts can be more effective. The project's systematic approach ensures that treatments are strategically located to maximize risk reduction benefits while creating sustainable, maintainable conditions.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This project directly supports multiple objectives outlined in the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, particularly focusing on recommendations listed under sections 8.5.3, "Open Space and Common Space Vegetation Management." The project aligns with key CWPP strategies including:

- Working collaboratively with public and private landowners to maintain fuel reduction zones;

- Implementing strategic fuel breaks along the Wildland Urban Interface;
- Creating fire adapted communities through coordinated vegetation management;
- Supporting evacuation route and roadside fuel management efforts;

The project also integrates with:

- Southern Marin Fire Protection District's Strategic Plan priorities for creating fire resilient communities;
- Marin Municipal Water District's Biodiversity, Fire, and Fuels Integrated Plan;
- Local municipal general plan safety elements for Mill Valley, Sausalito, and adjacent communities;
- Golden Gate National Recreation Area Fire Management Plan;
- Existing Firewise Community Action Plans within the district;
- CAL FIRE's Strategic Fire Plan for Marin County;

This project also complements existing neighborhood scale vegetation management programs and builds upon successful fuel reduction projects completed in previous years. The comprehensive approach ensures that treatments align with both regional wildfire prevention strategies and local community protection priorities while maintaining consistency with environmental regulations and land management objectives.

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$100,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Marshall Nau*

## SAUSALITO COMMUNITY ADAPTATION PROGRAM (CAP), 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

Fire Safe Marin, GGNRA, HOA With Private Dedicated Open Space, County of Marin Fire, Marin County Parks, Marin Water, PG&E, Private Landowner, Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Grant Program

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes a series of direct assistance style programs that will expand on the work of the Wildfire Mitigation Specialists who inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for hazards related to defensible space, structural hardening, and fire smart landscaping. The program initiatives will use documented existing conditions to recommend mitigation measures, and assist residents in creating defensible space in their Zone 0 areas around their homes and expanding on home hardening efforts with vents, gutters, gates, and eaves. The program will provide community education and support while integrating with other local and Marin Wildfire funded programs such as Chipper Days, residential resale inspections, defensible space grants, evacuation preparedness, evacuation route vegetation management, and other related programs. Budget Allocation for Personnel and Environmental Compliance: Sixteen percent (16%) of the total project budget is designated for cost recovery of personnel services provided by the Southern Marin Fire Protection District (SMFD). These funds will reimburse SMFD for staff time allocated to the following positions across project planning, implementation, field surveying, and public events and outreach: Wildfire Mitigation Specialist (WMS), Deputy Fire Marshal (DFM), Prevention Administrative Aide, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Communications Coordinator, and Vegetation Management Specialist (VMS). An additional ten percent (10%) of the total project budget is reserved for cost recovery of environmental review, regulatory filings, and associated compliance activities performed by SMFD personnel. This allocation covers SMFD staff time required to conduct environmental assessments, data collection, and documentation necessary

to meet both the Marin Wildfire and CEQA standards and protocols. These activities ensure the project maintains full environmental compliance while generating the technical data and records required by applicable state and federal regulatory frameworks.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within Sausalito, in the jurisdiction of the Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The Southern Marin CAP projects will reduce wildfire risks through multiple complementary approaches:

#### Fuel Reduction and Fire Behavior Modification:

- Creates strategic fuel breaks to reduce fire intensity and rate of spread;
- Removes ladder fuels that could carry fire into tree canopies;
- Reduces available fuel loading in critical defense zones;
- Modifies vegetation arrangements to limit fire pathway opportunities;
- Decreases likelihood of sustained crown fire development;
- Creates conditions more conducive to successful fire suppression;

#### Operational Improvements:

- Enhances firefighter access and safety during initial attack;
- Provides strategic control points for fire suppression activities;
- Improves emergency response times through corridor maintenance;
- Creates defensible space around critical infrastructure;
- Establishes and maintains anchor points for fire suppression;
- Reduces ember production potential during wildfire events;

#### Community Protection:

- Reduces fire intensity near residential areas;
- Improves evacuation route safety through vegetation management;
- Creates maintainable fuel reduction zones around communities;
- Limits potential for structure ignition through ember cast;
- Provides buffer zones between wildlands and developed areas;
- Increases time available for evacuation during wildfire events;

These modifications will significantly improve the community's wildfire resilience by limiting fire intensity, reducing spread rates, and creating conditions where fire suppression efforts can be more effective. The project's systematic approach ensures that treatments are strategically located to maximize risk reduction benefits while creating sustainable, maintainable conditions.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This project directly supports multiple objectives outlined in the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, particularly focusing on recommendations listed under sections 8.5.3, "Open Space and Common Space Vegetation Management." The project aligns with key CWPP strategies including:

- Working collaboratively with public and private landowners to maintain fuel reduction zones;
- Implementing strategic fuel breaks along the Wildland Urban Interface;

- Creating fire adapted communities through coordinated vegetation management;
- Supporting evacuation route and roadside fuel management efforts;

The project also integrates with:

- Southern Marin Fire Protection District's Strategic Plan priorities for creating fire resilient communities;
- Marin Municipal Water District's Biodiversity, Fire, and Fuels Integrated Plan;
- Local municipal general plan safety elements for Mill Valley, Sausalito, and adjacent communities;
- Golden Gate National Recreation Area Fire Management Plan;
- Existing Firewise Community Action Plans within the district;
- CAL FIRE's Strategic Fire Plan for Marin County;

This project also complements existing neighborhood scale vegetation management programs and builds upon successful fuel reduction projects completed in previous years. The comprehensive approach ensures that treatments align with both regional wildfire prevention strategies and local community protection priorities while maintaining consistency with environmental regulations and land management objectives.

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$90,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Marshall Nau*

## **TAM VALLEY / HOMESTEAD VALLEY COMMUNITY ADAPTATION PROGRAM (CAP), 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

Fire Safe Marin, GGNRA, HOA With Private Dedicated Open Space, County of Marin Fire, Marin County Parks, Marin Water, PG&E, Private Landowner, Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 5: Defensible Space & Home Hardening

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 5.3 Provide resources and best practices on fire-adapted structural, defensible space codes and code enforcement

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Grant Program

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes a series of direct assistance style programs that will expand on the work of the Wildfire Mitigation Specialists who inspect and evaluate residential, commercial, and undeveloped properties for hazards related to defensible space, structural hardening, and fire smart landscaping. The program initiatives will use documented existing conditions to recommend mitigation measures, and assist residents in creating defensible space in their Zone 0 areas around their homes and expanding on home hardening efforts with vents, gutters, gates, and eaves. The program will provide community education and support while integrating with other local and Marin Wildfire funded programs such as Chipper Days, residential resale inspections, defensible space grants, evacuation preparedness, evacuation route vegetation management, and other related programs. Budget Allocation for Personnel and Environmental Compliance: Sixteen percent (16%) of the total project budget is designated for cost recovery of personnel services provided by the Southern Marin Fire Protection District (SMFD). These funds will reimburse SMFD for staff time allocated to the following positions across project planning, implementation, field surveying, and public events and outreach: Wildfire Mitigation Specialist (WMS), Deputy Fire Marshal (DFM), Prevention Administrative Aide, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Communications Coordinator, and Vegetation Management Specialist (VMS). An additional ten percent (10%) of the total project budget is reserved for cost recovery of environmental review, regulatory filings, and associated compliance activities performed by SMFD personnel. This allocation covers SMFD staff

time required to conduct environmental assessments, data collection, and documentation necessary to meet both the Marin Wildfire and CEQA standards and protocols. These activities ensure the project maintains full environmental compliance while generating the technical data and records required by applicable state and federal regulatory frameworks.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within Tam Valley / Homestead Valley, in the jurisdiction of the Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The Southern Marin CAP projects will reduce wildfire risks through multiple complementary approaches:

Fuel Reduction and Fire Behavior Modification:

- Creates strategic fuel breaks to reduce fire intensity and rate of spread;
- Removes ladder fuels that could carry fire into tree canopies;
- Reduces available fuel loading in critical defense zones;
- Modifies vegetation arrangements to limit fire pathway opportunities;
- Decreases likelihood of sustained crown fire development;
- Creates conditions more conducive to successful fire suppression;

Operational Improvements:

- Enhances firefighter access and safety during initial attack;
- Provides strategic control points for fire suppression activities;
- Improves emergency response times through corridor maintenance;
- Creates defensible space around critical infrastructure;
- Establishes and maintains anchor points for fire suppression;
- Reduces ember production potential during wildfire events;

Community Protection:

- Reduces fire intensity near residential areas;
- Improves evacuation route safety through vegetation management;
- Creates maintainable fuel reduction zones around communities;
- Limits potential for structure ignition through ember cast;
- Provides buffer zones between wildlands and developed areas;
- Increases time available for evacuation during wildfire events;

These modifications will significantly improve the community's wildfire resilience by limiting fire intensity, reducing spread rates, and creating conditions where fire suppression efforts can be more effective. The project's systematic approach ensures that treatments are strategically located to maximize risk reduction benefits while creating sustainable, maintainable conditions.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This project directly supports multiple objectives outlined in the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, particularly focusing on recommendations listed under sections 8.5.3, "Open Space and Common Space Vegetation Management." The project aligns with key CWPP strategies including:

- Working collaboratively with public and private landowners to maintain fuel reduction zones;
- Implementing strategic fuel breaks along the Wildland Urban Interface;
- Creating fire adapted communities through coordinated vegetation management;
- Supporting evacuation route and roadside fuel management efforts;

The project also integrates with:

- Southern Marin Fire Protection District's Strategic Plan priorities for creating fire resilient communities;
- Marin Municipal Water District's Biodiversity, Fire, and Fuels Integrated Plan;
- Local municipal general plan safety elements for Mill Valley, Sausalito, and adjacent communities;
- Golden Gate National Recreation Area Fire Management Plan;
- Existing Firewise Community Action Plans within the district;
- CAL FIRE's Strategic Fire Plan for Marin County;

This project also complements existing neighborhood scale vegetation management programs and builds upon successful fuel reduction projects completed in previous years. The comprehensive approach ensures that treatments align with both regional wildfire prevention strategies and local community protection priorities while maintaining consistency with environmental regulations and land management objectives.

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” “Evacuation Planning,” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “On-parcel Risk Reduction.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$90,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Marshall Nau*

## TAMALPAIS HOMESTEAD VALLEY FUEL BREAK, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Mill Valley, GGNRA, County of Marin Fire, Marin County Parks, Marin Water, PG&E, Private Landowner, Southern Marin Fire Protection District, State Parks

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes vegetation management activities that would reduce fire intensity and severity within wildlands that have experienced an unnatural buildup of vegetation due to lack of wildfire, spread of non-native invasive species, and other factors. Project activities would include trimming of invasive, non-native species, invasive native species, removal of dead woody vegetation and removal and/or trimming of some shrubs and small diameter trees in areas where overcrowding would create hazardous conditions during a fire.

### *Geographic Scope*

The proposed treatment activities would be completed along the Tamalpais Valley and Homestead residential hillside communities in the Southern Marin Zone. Approximately 29 acres of fuel reduction have been treated along these communities. We are proposing expanding this fuel break to cover the southern portion of Tamalpais Valley by an additional 30 acres. This would bring the total acreage of this project to approximately 60 acres and we would be looking to work within 150 ft from homes.

The proposed project would provide defensible space for homes directly adjacent to the Golden Gate National Recreation Area lands and nearby lands owned and/or managed by the Homestead

Valley Land Trust and County Service Area 14, Tamalpais Community Service District (TCSD), and private landowners.

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This fuel break will strategically reduce wildfire hazards by:

1. Creating a zone of modified fuels that reduces potential flame lengths from >8ft to <4ft
2. Limiting the potential for crown fire development by removing ladder fuels and creating vertical separation
3. Reducing ember production potential by removing dead and diseased vegetation
4. Creating defensible space for fire suppression operations
5. Protecting evacuation routes by reducing fire intensity near critical roadways
6. Extending evacuation times for the community during a wildfire event

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$100,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Marshall Nau*

## SAUSALITO FOREST HEALTH PROJECT, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

GGNRA, HOA With Private Dedicated Open Space, Marin Water, PG&E, Private Landowner, Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes vegetation management activities that would reduce fire intensity and severity within wildlands in the GGNRA and City of Sausalito that have experienced an unnatural buildup of vegetation due to lack of wildfire, spread of non-native invasive species, and other factors. This work would be designed to be consistent with the ecosystem stewardship objectives of SMFD and Marin Wildfire. Project activities would include trimming of invasive, non-native species such as Eucalyptus and Spanish broom; invasive native species; removal of dead woody vegetation; and removal and/or trimming of some shrubs and small diameter trees in areas where overcrowding would create hazardous conditions during a fire.

### *Geographic Scope*

The project benefits approximately 400 homes in the City of Sausalito.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project will reduce wildfire risks by:

1. Creating important defensible space buffers essential to protecting the community
2. Removing highly flammable invasive vegetation that contributes to fire spread
3. Increasing the number of native species that are typically more fire resistant
4. Extending evacuation times for residents during a wildfire event

5. Providing firefighters better access to the fire's edge
6. Creating spatial separation between canopy trees to reduce crown fire potential

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, "Defensible Space," 8.5, "Non-Residential Vegetation Management," and 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "On-parcel Risk Reduction," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," and "Evacuation Planning." In particular, this proposal supports "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Vegetation Management in Open Space," and "Roadside Clearance."

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$90,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Marshall Nau*

## **RING MOUNTAIN FUEL BREAK, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Mill Valley, County of Marin Fire, Marin County Parks, Marin Water, PG&E, Private Landowners, Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes vegetation management activities that would reduce fire intensity and severity within wildlands in that have experienced an unnatural buildup of vegetation due to lack of wildfire, spread of non-native invasive species, and other factors. Project activities would include trimming of invasive, non-native species such as invasive native species, removal of dead woody vegetation and removal and/or trimming of some shrubs and small diameter trees in areas where overcrowding would create hazardous conditions during a fire.

### *Geographic Scope*

The fuel break would be located around the boundary of the residential communities in the Town of Tiburon, within the jurisdiction of SMFD, and unincorporated Marin County that are adjacent to open space areas, owned and managed by MCOSD, privately owned open space, and the Town of Tiburon. Treatment for the proposed project would occur on approximately 48.13 acres and would involve vegetation thinning up to 100 ft. from structures. An additional up to 5 acres of fire hazardous invasive species and select dead and down vegetation removal would be conducted outside of the fuel break. No healthy, mature, scenic trees would be removed under this proposed project. Fuel reduction treatments would avoid flowing streams and wetted wetlands within the project area. Trees screening water infrastructure (e.g., water storage tanks) would not be thinned without coordination with the infrastructure owner. Vegetation treatment activities that have the

potential to damage sensitive plants would not occur in serpentine habitats during special status plant blooming periods or surveys would be conducted to ensure avoidance of individuals (ES 1).

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This project will strategically reduce wildfire hazards by:

1. Creating a zone of modified fuels that reduces potential flame lengths and fire intensity
2. Slowing wildfire spread through communities located in high fire danger zones
3. Extending evacuation times for residents during a wildfire event
4. Providing firefighters better access to the fire's edge for suppression actions
5. Establishing a buffer between homes and open space areas prone to wildfire
6. Removing invasive species that contribute to increased fire fuel loads

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, "Defensible Space," 8.5, "Non-Residential Vegetation Management," and 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "On-parcel Risk Reduction," "Detection," "Alerting," "Roadside Clearance," and "Evacuation Planning." In particular, this proposal supports "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "Vegetation Management in Open Space," and "Roadside Clearance."

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$85,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Marshall Nau*

## **GREATER MILL VALLEY FUEL BREAK, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

City of Mill Valley

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Mill Valley, GGNRA, HOA With Private Dedicated Open Space, County of Marin Fire, Marin County Parks, Marin Water, PG&E, Private Landowners, Southern Marin Fire Protection District, State Parks, Town of Corte Madera

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1: Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and Wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes vegetation management activities that would reduce fire intensity and severity within wildlands in County, City, and private open space that have experienced an unnatural buildup of vegetation due to lack of wildfire, spread of non-native invasive species, and other factors. This work would be designed to be consistent with the ecosystem stewardship objectives of the City of Mill Valley, Marin County Parks, Marin Water, and other private and governmental land owners adjacent to the City of Mill Valley. Project activities would include trimming of invasive, non-native species. The purpose of the proposed project is to remove, thin, or limb hazardous vegetation, particularly unhealthy, hazardous, nonnative trees, in strategic locations in the City of Mill Valley that poses a threat to the surrounding structures and the community. If left untreated, the locations could lead to rapid transmission of a wildfire. This project will expand and connect the perimeter fuel break treatment areas from past projects and extend further into the open space when required under approved environmental and land owner guidelines. The final result will consist of an established treatment area that surrounds the perimeter of the City of Mill Valley and extends into similar perimeter buffer zones around adjacent communities and fire agencies as required, such as Homestead Valley and Central Marin Fire. Budget Allocation for Personnel and Environmental Compliance Sixteen percent (16%) of the total project budget is

designated for cost recovery of personnel services provided by the Southern Marin Fire Protection District (SMFD). These funds will reimburse SMFD for staff time allocated to the following positions across project planning, implementation, field surveying, and public events and outreach: Wildfire Mitigation Specialist (WMS), Deputy Fire Marshal (DFM), Prevention Administrative Aide, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Communications Coordinator, and Vegetation Management Specialist (VMS). An additional ten percent (10%) of the total project budget is reserved for cost recovery of environmental review, regulatory filings, and associated compliance activities performed by SMFD personnel. This allocation covers SMFD staff time required to conduct environmental assessments, data collection, and documentation necessary to meet both the Marin Wildfire and California Vegetation Treatment Program (CalVTP) standards and protocols. These activities ensure the project maintains full environmental compliance while generating the technical data and records required by applicable state and federal regulatory frameworks.

#### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the City of Mill Valley

#### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Fuel breaks implemented on the margins of communities are an important component of a fire adapted community.

#### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, “Defensible Space,” 8.5, “Non-Residential Vegetation Management,” and 8.6, “Evacuation Planning and Preparation.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

#### *FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$268,466.21

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Marshall Nau*

## **MUIR BEACH UPPER PARK TRAIL FUEL BREAK MAINTENANCE, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Muir Beach CSD

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate Vegetation Management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Shaded/Non-shaded Fuel Breaks

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes maintenance of a shaded fuel break within Muir Beach that was initially completed in October 2025 as part of the Coastal Critical Infrastructure Defensible Space Project.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within the jurisdiction of the Muir Beach Community Services District

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Fuel breaks implemented on the margins of communities are an important component of a fire adapted community.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, "Defensible Space," 8.5, "Non-Residential Vegetation Management," and 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$35,000

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: | Marshall Nau*

## **TERWILLIGER GROVE EVACUATION ROUTE VEGETATION MANAGEMENT, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Muir Beach CSD

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.3. Maintain appropriate roadside vegetation management

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Evacuation Routes

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes roadside vegetation management along routes identified as critical for evacuation during a fire. Project activities would include trimming understory vegetation and removal of dead and dying, hazardous, non-native tree species such as Monterey Pine which are leaning over the roadway and would create hazardous conditions during a fire.

### *Geographic Scope*

Within Terwilliger Grove in jurisdiction of Muir Beach CSD

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

Removal of hazard trees along roadways will contribute to safer evacuations and reduce risk to nearby residents.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* and directly supports the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Section 8.5.1, "Roadside Vegetation Management."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include "Vegetation Management in Open Space," "Vegetation Management Near Communities," "On-parcel Risk

Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$80,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | David Taylor*

## **MUIR BEACH HWY 1 EVACUATION CORRIDOR / BANDUCCI RANCH, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Muir Beach Community Services District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

County of Marin Fire, GGNRA

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.3 Maintain appropriate roadside vegetation management

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Evacuation Routes

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes the continued implementation of the Hwy 1 / Banducci fuel reduction zone approved in 2022. Project activities would include trimming of invasive, non-native species such as heather; invasive native species such as coyote brush; removal of dead woody vegetation; and removal and/or trimming of some shrubs and small diameter trees that would create hazardous conditions during a fire. Following treatment of a 100 ft buffer zone along the perimeter of this site and HWY 1 Northbound, additional work will take place on the uphill slope in collaboration with National Park Service staff to address vegetation, including a stand of conifers with dense understory, that would create intense fire behavior.

### *Geographic Scope*

This project will create a shaded fuel break and roadside clearance to provide evacuation safe corridor in an area bounded by Hwy 1 on National Park Service lands downhill and adjacent to 160 homes in Muir Beach. There are no habitable structures on this land. Communities that also benefit are Stinson Beach, Bolinas, and northern coastal towns as well as Mill Valley in addition to the otherwise landlocked properties in Muir Beach.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The adjacent homes are landlocked by this area of very high fire hazard risk. It is situated in the WUI. This project would improve defensible space and create a safe evacuation corridor for the local community as well as all the coastal communities to the north and in adjacent Mill Valley. This

work is undertaken with the collaboration of the local Firewise committee and will be coordinated with their goals of helping adjacent private property owners to improve defensible space.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* and directly supports the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Section 8.5.1, “Roadside Vegetation Management.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$100,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | David Taylor*

## HIGHWAY 1 EVACUATION CORRIDOR, SOUTHBOUND, 2026/27

### *Lead Agency*

Muir Beach CSD

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

National Park Service

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.3 Maintain appropriate roadside vegetation management

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Evacuation Routes

### *Project Description Summary*

This proposal includes maintenance of roadside vegetation management conducted along State Route 1 in Muir Beach, which is identified as critical for evacuation during a fire. Project activities would include trimming of invasive, non-native species such as small diameter eucalyptus; invasive native species such as coyote bush; removal of dead woody vegetation; and removal and/or trimming of some shrubs and small diameter trees within 50 feet of roadsides that would create hazardous conditions during a fire.

### *Geographic Scope*

This plan would treat 4.4 acres in a 10 to 50 foot buffer alongside the southbound side of State Route 1. This extends from the Muir Beach Overlook to Sunset Way and traverses 22 private lots and includes CalTrans right of way.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

This proposal addresses risk to residents and visitors during a potential evacuation along State Route 1 made particularly hazardous due to topography and vegetation. This proposal also reduces the risk of ignition along State Route 1 from vehicles.

*Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the *2020 Marin County CWPP* and directly supports the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Section 8.5.1, “Roadside Vegetation Management.”

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$40,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | David Taylor*

## **SMFD VEGETATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM EQUIPMENT, 2026/27**

### *Lead Agency*

Southern Marin Fire Protection District

### *Partner Agency(ies)*

City of Mill Valley

### *Primary Goal Addressed*

Goal 1: Vegetation Management

### *Primary Objective(s) Addressed*

Objective 1.1 Maintain appropriate vegetation management in areas between neighborhoods and wildlands

### *Program Area and Budget Category*

Core

### *Proposal Category*

Equipment

### *Project Description Summary*

The primary goal of this project is to secure funding for our VMS personnel and projects to cover operational expenses related to equipment directly associated with our projects. These materials may include but are not limited to, radios, tools maintenance and storage, erosion control materials, radios for communication on remote project sites, e-bikes for efficient project monitoring, and a storage unit for housing our tools, erosion, and restoration materials.

### *Geographic Scope*

This will benefit every one in our District, which will result in increased efficiencies and benefits for over 41,000 residents and more than 18,000 structures.

### *Contribution to Wildfire Adaptation*

The coverage of these materials will allow us to get the tools needed to increase efficiency and safety across the board for our VMS team while conducting these shaded fuel break, forest health, and restoration projects.

### *Relationship to the CWPP and Other Plans*

This proposal is consistent with the mitigation measures and strategies outlined in Chapter 8 of the *2020 Marin County CWPP*, including Sections 8.4, "Defensible Space," 8.5, "Non-Residential Vegetation Management," and 8.6, "Evacuation Planning and Preparation."

Additionally, this proposal supports the priorities of the *2026 Marin County CWPP*, which is scheduled for adoption by member agencies in 2026. These priorities include “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “On-parcel Risk Reduction,” “Detection,” “Alerting,” “Roadside Clearance,” and “Evacuation Planning.” In particular, this proposal supports “Vegetation Management Near Communities,” “Vegetation Management in Open Space,” and “Roadside Clearance.”

*FY2026-2027 Budget*

\$100,000.00

*Member Agency attests that this proposal does not supplant efforts that would be performed without Measure C funding: yes | Marshall Nau*



# Proposal Maps