



CAL FIRE Evacuation Planning & Development Grant Program Announcement

November 2022

2022 Evacuation Planning & Development Grant Award

11 Counties Awarded

\$3.3 Million in Grant Funds

Evacuation Route Planning
Fuel Reduction
Route Maintenance
Communications
Signage
Community Preparedness

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California Fire Safe Council (CFSC) is pleased to announce that 11 California counties have been selected to receive grant awards for evacuation planning and development projects. With funding from a 2022 CAL FIRE master grant, the CFSC will award more than \$3.3 million to these 11 applicants through the Evacuation Planning and Development Grant Program.

The objective of the grant program is to support counties with evacuation route identification, planning, fuel reduction, maintenance and signage for use during emergencies. Funding can also be used for public education activities that increase community awareness of evacuation planning and preparation. The selected counties have been approved for funding for activities conducted between September 1, 2022 through February 29, 2024.

Counties will work closely with the CFSC to identify, document, and maintain evacuation routes in their communities, as well as develop mechanisms to improve evacuation education, outreach and coordination efforts.

We look forward to working with the award recipients to enhance each county's wildfire resilience through evacuation planning, while working toward our shared vision of a more fire-resilient California!

Thanks to our partner, CAL FIRE, for providing the funding for the 2022 Grants Clearinghouse master grant.



Community Wildfire Preparedness Project, is part of California Climate Investments, a statewide program that puts billions of Cap-and-Trade dollars to work reducing GHG emissions, strengthening the economy, and improving public health and the environment— particularly in disadvantaged communities. The Cap-and-Trade program also creates a financial incentive for industries to invest in clean technologies and develop innovative ways to reduce pollution. California Climate Investments projects include affordable housing, renewable energy, public transportation, zero-emission vehicles, environmental restoration, more sustainable agriculture, recycling, and much more. At least 35 percent of these investments are located within and benefiting residents of disadvantaged communities, low-income communities, and low-income households across California. For more information, visit the California Climate Investment website at: www.caclimateinvestments.ca.gov



2022 CALFire Evacuation Route Planning and Development Grant Award Announcements

11 COUNTIES AWARDED

GRANT AWARDS PROVIDED: \$3,345,810.66

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Calaveras

Grantee: Calaveras County Office of
Emergency Services

Project: Calaveras County Evacuation
Plan Program

Grant Amount: \$225,000

Tracking #: 378708

Project Description:

This grant project will develop an evacuation plan, increase public outreach and education through ZoneHaven, a cloud-based application/evacuation map, and provide for fuels treatment/road clearance for evacuation routes routinely impacted by fire.

Kern

Grantee: County of Kern

Project: Kern County Evacuation
PrePlan

Grant Amount: \$230,000

Tracking#: 381533

Project Description:

Utilizing ZoneHaven's interoperable emerging technology, and integrating with current operational and emergency management tools, this project will reduce the time necessary for Incident Commanders to effectively and efficiently send timely evacuation notification messages to community members.

Madera

Grantee: County of Madera

Project: Madera County Evacuation
Route Assessment Project

Grant Amount: \$380,000

Tracking #: 379669

Project Description:

This project will use grant funds to assess current known evacuation routes within Madera County, identify those routes requiring brush/tree removal and fuels treatment work within public rights-of-way, fund the required permitting and environmental work, and then hire contractors to perform the brush removal/fuels treatment. In addition, project funds will be used to conduct public outreach and education activities.

Riverside

Grantee: County of Riverside
Emergency Management Department

Project: San Jacinto Mountain Region
Outdoor Alert and Warning Project

Grant Amount: \$380,000

Tracking #: 380690

Project Description:

The County of Riverside has completed the initial planning phase of an outdoor alert and warning system project for the San Jacinto Mountain region which is one of its most vulnerable populated wildland urban interface areas. The county will use this grant, in conjunction with a FEMA HMGP grant as part of the local match, to provide the ancillary services necessary to support the overall outdoor, broadcast, and online alert system.



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San Luis Obispo

Grantee: County of San Luis Obispo
Office of Emergency Services

Project: San Luis Obispo Evacuation
Route and Planning

Grant Amount: \$120,810.66

Tracking #: 378398

Project Description:

San Luis Obispo County is working collectively with all jurisdictions to create a county-wide evacuation plan. This grant will support the use of ZoneHaven to develop evacuation zones and routes throughout the county. Zones will be incorporated into Wireless Emergency Alerts, Reverse 9-1-1, as well as integrated with maps used in the Wildland Pre-Attack Plans. These tools will be used by Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ's), Office of Emergency Services (OES), and the media to conduct evacuations.

San Mateo

Grantee: San Mateo County

Project: San Mateo County Evacuation
Route Clearance Project

Grant Amount: \$375,000

Tracking#: 381270

Project Description:

This project will implement priority fuels treatment projects that will maximize the number of routes and acres cleared in remote areas of the County where there are overlapping social and wildfire risks, and low-income communities.

Santa Barbara

Grantee: Santa Barbara County Planning
and Development Department

Project: Santa Barbara County
Evacuation Route Plan

Grant Amount: \$380,000

Tracking #: 377994

Project Description:

This project will map evacuation routes and provide recommendations to improve their safety and capacity. It will allow the County to meet new legal requirements of AB747 and SB99, update the current zone-based evacuation maps, and educate the community.

Santa Cruz

Grantee: County of Santa Cruz

Project: Santa Cruz County Wildfire
Evacuation Readiness Improvements

Grant Amount: \$380,000

Tracking #: 380040

Project Description:

This grant award will improve evacuation safety with a focus on supporting residents with Access and Functional Needs (AFN). It will develop evacuation plan docs, GIS data, signs, hazard tree ID, data collection for routes; specs, training, and equipment for road crews.



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Stanislaus

Grantee: Stanislaus County

Project: Stanislaus County Evacuation
Route Planning

Grant Amount: \$115,000

Tracking #: 380629

Project Description:

Stanislaus County will develop evacuation routes in the Western portion of Stanislaus County, an area of High Fire Hazard Severity. Because the proposed project area has only one road in and out of the community, the County will utilize grant funds to research, plan and develop evacuation routes that would support evacuations that must travel through State Responsibility Area lands held by private property owners. The County will work with partners and local landowners to plan and establish these evacuation routes.

Tuolumne

Grantee: Tuolumne County

Project: Tuolumne County Wildfire
Evacuation Planning and
Development Project

Grant Amount: \$380,000

Tracking#: 378044

Project Description:

Tuolumne County's number one goal is to prevent loss of life and reduce property damage due to catastrophic fire by creating a strategic plan for wildfire preparations. This grant will assist Tuolumne County (consisting of State Responsibility Area) with planning and creating evacuation routes that can be used in the event of encroaching wildfires.

Ventura

Grantee: Ventura County Sheriff's
Office of Emergency Services

Project: Evacuation Planning and
Analysis for Ventura County Hire Fire
Severity Zones

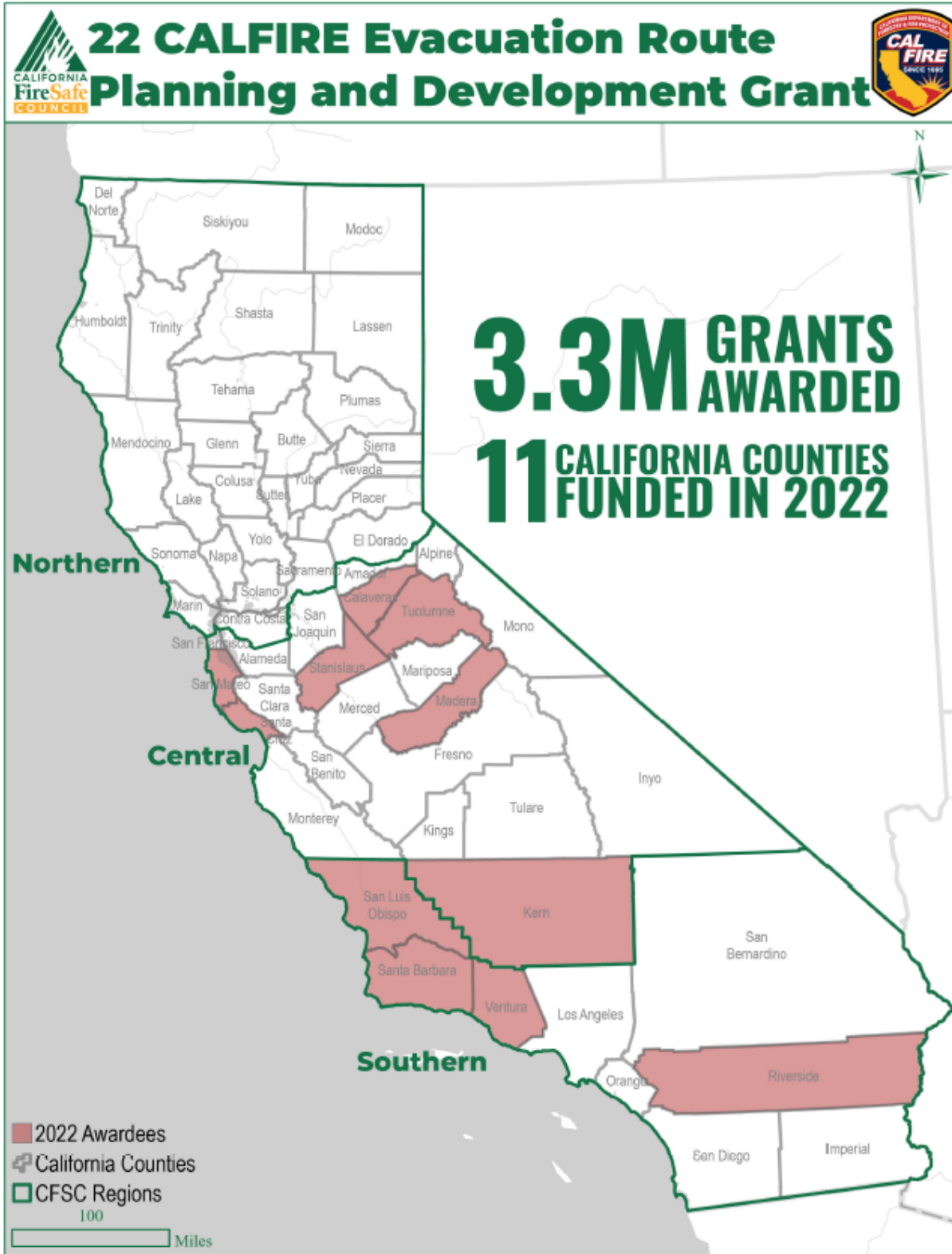
Grant Amount: \$380,000

Tracking #: 380245

Project Description:

The overall goal of this project is to pre-determine evacuation zones for high fire severity areas, analyze these zones to determine demographics and other evacuation challenges, and educate residents on newly formed zones and evacuation preparedness.

Selected Projects



Congratulations 2022 Evacuation Planning and Development Grant Awardees!

Calaveras County | Kern County | Madera County | Riverside County | San Luis Obispo County
| San Mateo County | Santa Barbara County | Santa Cruz County | Stanislaus County |
Tuolumne County | Ventura County