

# **Caldor Fire Recovery Operations Center**

**TO:** The Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Carla Hass

**DATE:** July 17, 2022

**RE:** Caldor Recovery update

Please accept this memo as a weekly update to the activities surrounding the County of El Dorado's recovery from the Caldor Fire as managed by the Recovery Operations Center's (ROC) co-directors Sgt. Moke Auwae and me.

## **Environmental Management**

## • Alternate Program

- o 29 applications received
- o 29 work plans received
- o 28 work plans approved
- 26 parcels cleaned and sampled
- o 20 parcels have submitted completion reports
- 20 parcels have completed the Alternate Program, 15 in Grizzly Flats and 5 in Tahoe Basin
- o Abatement extension letters have been issued to 8 properties
- 1 parcel moving forward in the abatement process

### USFS Parcels

- o USFS ROE program closed 6/20
- 172 USFS ROEs received
- o Total number of eligible USFS parcels is 177
- o 185 parcels remain to be returned to owner; all are awaiting State completion

## Public Program

- o 590 debris removal complete (99%)
- o 588 Soil Samples approved (99%)
- o 28,503 Trees felled (100%)
- o 671 parcels with completed tree felling (100%)
- o 27,942 tree removal complete (99%)
- o 671 parcels with tree removal completed (100%)
- o 606 completed Full ROE final sign off (returned to owners)
- o 168 Tree-only final sign off (returned to owners)

### **Land Use**

- **Fee Waivers** 74 received
  - o Temporary Mobile Homes/Temporary Recreational Vehicles
    - 48 Received
    - 51 Approved
- **Rebuild Permits** 24 received
  - o 2 Building Permits Submitted w/ Permit Fees Waived
  - o 3 Building Permits Issued/Approved w/ Permit Fees Waived
  - o 13 Building Permits Submitted w/out Permit Fees Waived
  - o 7 Building Permits Issued/Approved w/out Permit Fees Waived

## **Health and Human Services Agency**

- Long Term Recovery
  - o No meeting this reporting week
- Immediate Needs
  - No meeting this reporting week
- Salvation Army
  - Second DCM worker left their role for another job. Recruitment is occurring.
    Timeline for the estimated start date will be provided ASAP. In the meantime, the current DCM worker and Salvation Army Supervisor are continuing to triage and serve survivors. Currently have 18 cases open.
- Social Worker
  - HHSA Caldor Social Worker is in the process of screening the 134 Caldor households on the list provided by West Slope Foundation (WSF). As of 7/14, he has been able to communicate with 6 of the 26 he has attempted to contact this week.
  - One survivor is being assessed for the HDAP program, who recently lost her disability, but has housing right now. She will be assisted with getting her disability reinstated so she can stay in her current housing situation.
  - Another survivor is being followed up with next, as they were assisted with job training. If they have not secured a job by next week, they will qualify for the HDAP program.
  - Prior Caldor HDAP referral for family living in travel trailer is not responding to contacts, so cannot assess eligibility until contact is made.

#### Mental Health Worker

- Start date of 7/30
- The news of the Electra Fire in Amador County triggered a Caldor survivor's PTSD. Behavioral health got access to monthly counseling sessions. Person didn't qualify for county behavioral health services, but WSF is paying for private counseling sessions until December when insurance will become active.

### West Slope Foundation

- o Distribution Event July 17, 2022
- Community Clean-up

• August 1, 2022 Grizzly Flats Fire Safe Council is planning a cleanup day in Grizzly Flats. They will have two dumpsters and a chipper for residents to use.

# • Caldor Anniversary

One year anniversary event scheduled for August 13, 2022.

## • Food Ban Event

August 25, 2022 from 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM, the Food Bank of El Dorado County in conjunction with Cameron Park Shingle Springs Chamber, El Dorado Hills Chamber and Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians Tribal Fire Department will break ground on its new Emergency Resource Center.

### **Resource Conservation District (RCD)**

#### • Sierra at Tahoe

Operations are underway, removing fire-killed trees. The project involves removal of dead and dying trees from within the glade areas between the traditionally cleared, developed ski trails, snowshoe trails, parking area, lift corridors and buildings at the Sierra at Tahoe, and post-fire regeneration and restoration. Mature and regenerating healthy, live trees that do not pose a threat to people or property would be retained. The total treatment area is approximately 764 acres.

# • Grizzly Flat Community

- Collecting ROEs to develop a forest management plan aimed at removal of dead and dying trees. In addition, archaeological and biological surveys are being conducted to ensure resource protections are in place. The RCD is working closely with the Grizzly Flat Fire Safe Council to obtain these agreements.
- Procurement for vegetation management in Grizzly Flat is scheduled to begin in August.