

Appendix E

OWPR Annual Work Plan

Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience Annual Workplan

2026

Coordination of Planning Efforts

Promote a common strategy to addressing wildfire preparedness and prevention in El Dorado County by continuing to facilitate communication and coordination across agencies and organizations, ensuring individual planning strategies, efforts and reporting processes are informed by other agency and organization planning efforts, and are not in conflict with each other.

- Develop and implement a system of metrics to track activities and outcomes.
 - CWPP and Data Hub Dashboards
 - Coordinate with El Dorado County Fire Safe Council to crosswalk data sharing
 - Defensible Space Inspections
 - Firewise Communities
 - Prescribed Burning
 - Fuel Breaks
 - Installation of Water Sources (tanks)
 - Community Outreach Events
 - Other
- Monitor wildfire prevention and mitigation planning efforts, or other wildfire related policies and due dates.
- Facilitate and support the Project Coordination Working Group.
- Continue plan alignment efforts.
- Evaluate new planning tools, new technologies for data collection and analysis; and fire behavior modeling, including structural ignition and influence on fire behavior both from governmental organizations, private businesses, and philanthropic entities.
- Participate with the Regional and Watershed-level planning groups.
- Support project development to create landscape-scale and multi-benefit projects to increase potential funding opportunities.

- Monitor and engage on Biomass utilization efforts and support the County's Biomass Coordinator's efforts.

CWPP

Implement the updated Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP).

- Present Final CWPP to Board of Supervisors for approval.
- Develop the CWPP storyboard and dashboard.
- Continue to input and update metrics for proposed, current, and completed projects. Coordinate the implementation of the CWPP through the Project Coordination Working Group.
 - Implement action items
 - Identify funding opportunities
 - Re-evaluate project priority lists
 - Integrate the RCD Project Pipeline process as opportunities become available
- Partner with the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council and associate councils to host planning area implementation meetings.
- Develop an annual reporting process outlining specific CWPP accomplishments to be presented to the CWPP Advisory Committee (formerly CWPP Steering Committee).
- Complete project scope and environmental review for hazardous fuels treatment projects (i.e. fuel break projects) funded through the Bureau of Land Management Grant.
- Develop maintenance plan for fuels treatment projects including those funded through the Bureau of Land Management Grant.

County Data Hub

Lead the effort to expand and manage the County Data Hub library for all partner agencies and organizations under the umbrella of the Coordination Group.

- Establish and facilitate the County Data Hub Working Group.
- Determine specific data elements to be included with project information within the Data Hub.
- Continue to identify data sources to be included. Work as necessary with partner agencies and organizations to gain access to other data sources.
- Develop and maintain public facing pages for online mapping tool, dashboard, metrics, and project progress.

- Update the Coordination Group on roll-out stages and timeframes.
- Incorporate the EDC Raw Water Draft Points into the Data Hub.
- Share data as appropriate with other data collaboratives.

Public Outreach

Facilitate the sharing of information and input on proposed strategies and processes between the Coordination Group, OWPR, stakeholders, interested parties and others related to the wildfire prevention and preparedness strategy for El Dorado County.

- Maintain a comprehensive list of stakeholders and interested parties.
- Maintain the OWPR website with current information on programs and activities.
- Engage in regular public outreach such as social media posts, press releases, and coordinate with the Mountain Democrat for content in the Disaster Resource Guide.
- Facilitate the Public Outreach Working Group to collaboratively develop information content and coordination of dissemination.
- Participate in community events, such as County Fair, Fire Safe Council events, etc.
- Develop outreach materials and other messaging, including flyers, factsheets, and informational videos to improve resident awareness of relevant laws, regulations, and best management practices.
- Create and publish a County Emergency Preparedness Workbook, formerly the Wildfire Preparedness Workbook.
- Develop campaigns based on the Wildfire Awareness Season Proclamation and other events and topics.

Defensible Space Program

Implement the coordinated Defensible Space Program throughout El Dorado County based on the recommendations of the Defensible Space Working Group.

- Amend the Hazardous Vegetation and Defensible Space Ordinance, Chapter 8.09.
- Identify County Emphasis Areas (CEAs) in coordination with CAL FIRE Defensible Space Inspection Areas (DSIAs) and local fire district focused inspection areas.
- Facilitate Defensible Space information and education messaging for 2026, including coordinated postcard notifications.
- Develop and maintain a public facing dashboard of defensible space inspection activity.
- Coordinate Fire Safe Council assessment requests with the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council. Contract with the Fire Safe Council to fund assessment stipends through the Bureau of Land Management grant.

- Continue to participate and support defensible space assessment training with Fire Safe Councils and partner agencies.
- Finalize and implement the OWPR Defensible Space Program database for tracking County inspections.
- Contract with CAL FIRE to perform additional defensible space inspections funded through the Bureau of Land Management grant.

Grant Administration

Monitor grant and funding opportunities that are appropriate to support OWPR, partners and stakeholders, recommended actions of the CWPP, and other activities within the Project Coordination Working Group.

- California Wildfire Mitigation Program Grant (FEMA HMGP – Weber Creek Project):
 - Finalize initial property assessments on no issue parcels.
 - Complete the RFQ process for defensible space and home hardening contractors.
 - Initiate defensible space and home hardening activities on no-issue parcels.
 - Continue public outreach through community events and other materials in partnership with Placerville Fire Safe Council, City of Placerville and the El Dorado County Fire Protection District.
 - Coordinate with other agencies and organizations through the Project Coordination Working Group to identify additional projects augmenting CWMP grant funded activities, such as roadside maintenance, utility corridor maintenance, telecommunications infrastructure defensible space, hazardous vegetation treatments, improved road signage, and reflective property address signage.
 - Pursue additional CWMP grant funding to augment current grant accomplishments.
- Bureau of Land Management Grant:
 - Identify existing and new opportunities to partner with the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council and RCD to perform vegetation treatments on BLM and adjacent lands.
 - Engage BLM on defensible space activities on BLM lands adjacent to private lands.

County Coordinator

Implement California's County Coordinator program in El Dorado County.

- Represent the County at state-wide and regional events, including workshops, conferences, and presentations.
- Participate as a member of the state-wide County Coordinator Steering Committee and Mentor Program.

Firewise Communities

Serve as the Firewise Regional Coordinator for the West Slope of El Dorado County.

- Continue to evaluate program needs and responsibilities to support the growing Firewise network.
- Facilitate meetings to bring together local communities, fire districts, CAL FIRE and others in order to develop a standard approach for risk assessments and 3-year Action Plans.
- Maintain Firewise Communities to ensure contact and boundary information is up to date and accurate.
- Maintain Firewise Community maps in the Data Hub.
- Develop a guide on becoming a Firewise Community and maintaining designation.
- Build out the Firewise section of the OWPR website.

Insurance

- Identify opportunities to partner with insurance industry representatives, risk modelers, and communities to build wildfire resiliency and provide pilot projects that support insurability.
- Continue to monitor insurance industry initiatives, including *Safer From Wildfire*, and engage as appropriate.