

### OWPR Annual Work Plan

#### Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience Annual Work Plan 2025

##### Coordination of Planning Efforts

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

- Develop core programmatic function areas of OWPR based the types of challenges associated with wildfire preparedness and resilience. This will provide clarity on the departments mission and approach to addressing challenges.
- Based on the challenges mentioned above, develop resource management strategies to meet long term challenges ahead. This will provide a platform to develop metrics to monitor program effectiveness and progress.
- Monitor wildfire prevention and mitigation planning efforts, or other wildfire related policies and due dates.
- Establish a project coordination working group.
- Explore opportunities for a planning-alignment evaluation.
- Initiate a gap analysis to identify any areas missing from existing planning efforts.
- Facilitate planning meetings to share individual annual plan goals and objectives among agencies and organizations.
- 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 Biomass utilization efforts and engage as necessary.

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- Develop and implement a system of metrics to track activities and outcomes.
  - Fire Safe Council Assistance Programs
  - Fire Safe Council Defensible Space Assessments
  - Firewise Communities
  - Green Waste Days
  - Prescribed Burning
  - Fuel Breaks
  - Installation of Water Sources (tanks)
  - Community Outreach Events
  - Other

### CWPP Update

Complete update to the Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) which encompasses all areas of the West Slope of El Dorado County.

- Facilitate review and comment to the Draft CWPP from stakeholders and members of the public.
- Present Final CWPP to Board of Supervisors for approval.
- Update CWPP dashboard.
- Input and update metrics for proposed, current and completed projects.
- Evaluate recommendations made as part of CWPP process.
- Work with Fire Safe Councils and partner agencies to identify and implement funding opportunities.
- Work with Fire Safe Councils and partner agencies to update project priority lists.

### Data Hub

Maintain the GIS database library and online web mapping tool (Data Hub) to aid in project development and coordination.

- Continue to identify Data sources to be included. Work as necessary with partner agencies and organizations to gain access to other data sources.
- Support GIS Office with public facing page design and identification and development of desired mapping tools, including a dashboard displaying metrics and progress.
- Report to the Coordination Group on roll-out stages and time frames.

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- Establish a system to keep Data Hub maintained and up to date with the most current information available.
- Add WUI areas and water sources that could be used for firefighting to the Data Hub.
- Share data as appropriate with other data collaboratives, including the Tahoe Central Sierra Project Tracker.

### 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 and press releases.
- Work with partner agencies and organizations to collaboratively develop information content and coordination of dissemination.
- Participate in community events, such as County Fair, Fire Safe Council events, etc.
- Maintain public outreach calendar for targeted messaging.
- Develop outreach materials and other messaging, including the Wildfire Preparedness Workbook, factsheets, and informational videos to improve resident awareness of relevant laws, regulations, and best management practices.
- Develop Wildfire Preparedness campaign based on the Wildfire Awareness Season proclamation.
- Provide an annual update to the Board of Supervisors on activities and accomplishments.
- Coordinate and manage content with Mountain Democrat for their Disaster Resource Guide, as well as other local information outlets and other organizations.

### Defensible Space Program

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

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- Implement Defensible Space Ordinance.
- Identification of 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 2025, including coordinated postcard notifications.
- Develop and maintain dashboard of defensible space inspection activity.
- Coordinate Fire Safe Council assessment requests with the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council.
- Continue to participate and support defensible space assessment training with Fire Safe Councils and partner agencies.
- Resolve inability to access defensible space inspection data (Crystal Reports).

### California Wildfire Mitigation Program Grant (FEMA HMGP - Weber Creek Project)

Continue to implement grant activities.

- Finalize initial property assessments.
- 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 Department.
- Coordinate with other agencies and organizations for additional work augmenting 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.

### Bureau of Land Management Grant

Implement phases of the grant as funding becomes available.

- Develop defensible space implementation plan.
- Complete project scope and environmental review for hazardous fuels treatment projects (i.e. fuel break projects).
- Develop maintenance plan for fuels treatment projects.

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- Engage BLM of defensible space activities on BLM lands adjacent to private lands.

### Fire Safe Coordinator

Continue to develop role of Fire Safe Coordinator.

- Engage in relationships with Fire Safe Councils and other community groups.
- Engage in regional and statewide Fire Safe Council events and information exchange.
- Assist with coordinating and implementing the CWPP.

### Firewise Communities

Support Firewise Communities in 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.
- Inventory Firewise Communities to ensure contact and boundary information is up to date and accurate.
- Update and add Firewise Community maps onto the Data Hub.