

# TRINITY COUNTY FIRE SAFE COUNCIL



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### Trinity County Fire Safe Council

Seeks to improve the cooperation and coordination of all aspects of wildfire management in Trinity County

- Meets every 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 1pm via Zoom
  - Meeting information can be found at www.firesafetrinity.org

• Next Meeting: January 27<sup>th</sup> at 1pm









# Partners











































Partners not show here include Hyampom Fire Safe Council and Lewiston VFD

# History of Trinity County Fire Safe Council

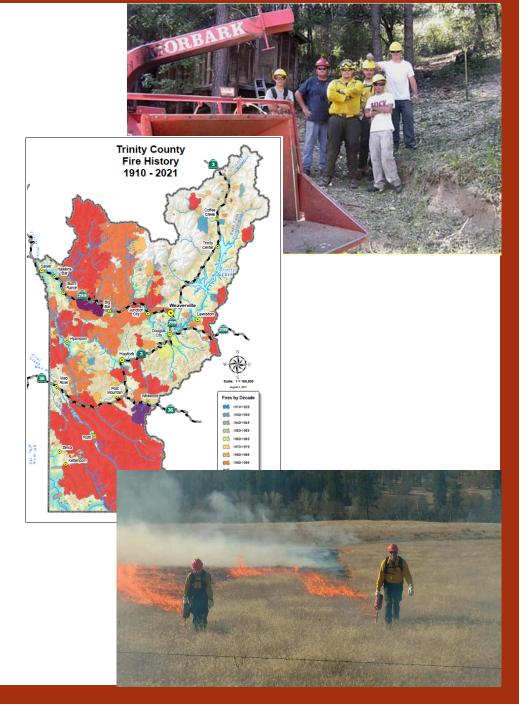
- Formed in 1999
- Trinity County has been a leader in community wildfire protection planning (CWPP). Developed the Nation's first CWPP in 2001
- Maintain 13 Firewise Communities





#### **Achievements**

- In 2021, over \$8.4 million were allocated to TCFSC Partners
- In 2021, WRTC was awarded \$1.4 million for fuels related work.
- In 2021, the Trinity County Resource Conservation District was awarded \$7 million of fuels reduction implementation and planning, FSC Coordination, and firewise education related work to Trinity County over the last year in federal, state, and private funds.



### **Projects and Programming**

## Education and Outreach

- Wildfire Awareness Day and Month
- Social Media
- Submissions to the Trinity Journal
- Firewise Community Meetings
- Neighborhood
   Assessments and
   Meetings
- Big Red Truck Program
- Blue Dot Program
- Maintaining Firewise Communities

# Coordination and Planning

- Monthly Meetings
- Community Wildfire Protection Plan
- NEPA/CEQA
   Compliance for implementation projects
- Coordination with County and local entities for alignment of values and policies
  - Chief's
     Association,
     Disaster Council,
     and Board of
     Supervisors

#### **Implementation**

- Community Chipping Program
- Defensible Space Improvements
- Roadside and Ridgetop Fuelbreaks
- Landscape treatments (Fuel reduction) by hand and mastication
- Prescribed burning including pile burning and broadcast burning

**County Coordinator** 

#### **Funding**

- •\$175,000 of CAL FIRE CCI Funds routed through the California Fire Safe Council for 18 months
- To educate, encourage and develop county-wide collaboration and coordination of various wildfire mitigation groups operating within the counties containing State Responsibility Area lands.





### Coordination Responsibilities

#### Weekly

- Share educational materials on social media @FireSafeTrinity and @TrinityRCD
- Update www.firesafetrinity.org
- Coordinate and promote upcoming events and ongoing programs
- Collaborate with local partners

#### Monthly-Quarterly

- Monthly TCFSC Meetings
  - OES Manager, Chief's Association, Disaster Council, and Board of Supervisors Mtgs.
- Host 1-3 Community or Neighborhood Workshops
- Apply for Additional Funding

#### **Annually**

- Host Trinity County
   Wildfire Preparedness
   Day Fair
- Participate at Trinity County Fair
- Renew Firewise Community Certifications
- Attend Fire Adapted
   Community and
   California Fire Safe
   Council Developmental
   Webinars
- Liaison with Wildfire Incident Management Teams

### **Anticipated Outcomes**

- Coordinator will attend state, federal, and local wildfire management coordination meetings.
- Develop and disseminate 25 new resident Wildfire Awareness Welcome Packages
- Develop Trinity County FSC Brochure
- Host 20 Neighborhood Level Events
- Host 10 Community Level Events
- Host Trinity County Wildfire Awareness Day Fair
- Man booth at Trinity County Fair
- Support local VFDs to have 75 private landowner contacts and Firewise assessments through Big Red Truck Program
- Photo story of the project

#### Measures of Success

- Increase local resident attendance at the Trinity County FSC Meetings
- Revisit landowner contacts to determine rate of implementation from Firewise recommended improvements
- Value of local planning documents during incident management team presence.
- Increase social media followers to 500.
- Continue to develop sustainable funding for management, coordination, and educational programming.
- Engage 5% of Trinity County Residents (2020 CWPP Update engaged <1%).

### Trinity County FSC Coordinators

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Trinity County OES Manager – Ed Prestley



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