DIAMOND MOUNTAIN MARK WEST CALFIRE PLANNING GRANT

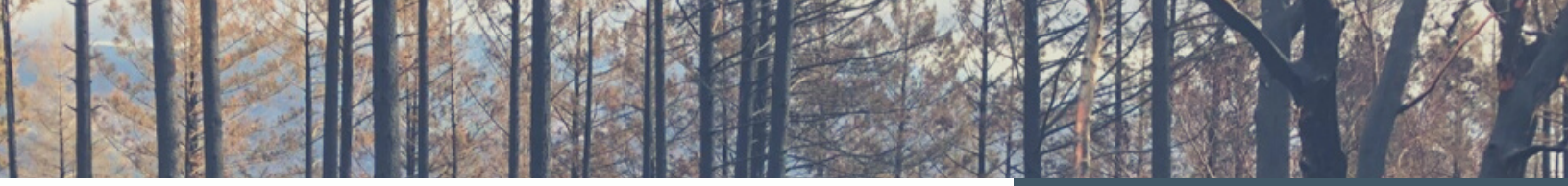
Grant Timeline October 2022 - May 2024

Working together to plan community stewardship actions to reduce fuel density, fire intensity, and support ecosystem health and biodiversity

Project Goals

1. Improve fire control, public safety, and protection of communities and infrastructure through the planning of three shaded fuel breaks
2. Support landowners through a planning process that provides them with the needed information and tools to manage and sustain lower fire risk, and an ecologically healthy landscape.
3. Create a community forest stewardship plan to lead to funding and implementation of cooperative forest stewardship actions that reduce high intensity wildfire and improve forest ecology and climate resilience, while sustaining and improving critically endangered Coho and Steelhead Salmon in the Mark West Creek watershed.
4. Complete the planning and scope of environmental compliance needs to make the project area eligible for funding for stewardship activities through various state and federal grant programs.

Funding for this project provided by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection's Fire Prevention Program as part of the California Climate Investments Program. DMMW Fuel Breaks and PODs Planning, is part of California Climate Investments, a statewide initiative that puts billions of Cap-and-Trade dollars to work reducing greenhouse gas emissions, strengthening the economy, and improving public health and the environment — particularly in disadvantaged communities.



Components of the Stewardship Plan

The Forest Stewardship Plan will be developed with the communities in the Diamond Mountain - Mark West area. This plan will build on previous work done in the local CWPPs by creating location specific community-scale treatment options. Each unit will develop a set of maps during the unit planning workshop that include ingress and egress routes and feasible management action based on topography, vegetation, water, access, etc. Each unit will develop a list of prioritized treatments based on risk, biological hazard, costs, and ease of CEQA clearance. Sample treatments include prescribed fire, reforestation, grazing and tree thinning.

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9,222-acre Forest Stewardship Plan Area includes 550 parcels in the Central Mayacamas Mountains