



California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
(CAL FIRE) California Climate Investments
Fire Prevention Grants Program
Project Scope of Work



Project Name: Concow / Yankee Hill – Staging Areas

Project Tracking Number: 21-CNR-BTU-030

Project Description Summary: Please provide a paragraph summarizing proposed project including the location, habitable structures, acres treated, etc. (Please type in blank space below. Please note there is no space limitations).

The Concow/Yankee Hill – Staging Areas project is within a planning area in Butte County that incorporates the low-income communities of Concow, Yankee Hill and Cherokee; communities impacted by the 2020 North Complex – Bear Fire and the 2018 Camp Fire. Yankee Hill Fire Safe Council has had a lot of experience with post fire recovery activities and have these projects listed in the Butte County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). The Camp Fire altered structure count and displaced much of our population, the rebuild process is slow but happening. Pre fire we were approximately 3,500 population with approximately 1,700 structures. The two wildfires caused an abundance of dead and dying trees and several charred acres of dried burned vegetation. The overwhelming impact of these wildfires makes it difficult for landowners managing the crisis from long distance making the need to provide support in this process critical.

The Concow/Yankee Hill – Staging Areas project will impact **(223) acres** of 8” and smaller diameter trees and vegetation within and around (7) assembly points also known as staging areas listed in the community evacuation plan Ready, Set, Go!, and assist (10) RAP homes for defensible space. Working with a Registered Professional Forester we will accomplish CEQA requirements, and environmental surveys. A variety of treatment types will be utilized to support the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) by the treatment methods used to remove the hazardous fuels. Much of the material is dead with new growth intermixing with it. **(1) FIREWISE Day event** will be organized to motivate residents to create their defensible space and we’ll have their material chipped at no cost. Building a healthier forest area and encouraging a variety of aged tree growth will enhance carbon sequestration. The project activities will primarily benefit the goals of AB32 while providing many secondary benefits to build the spirit of the community recovering from wildfires.

Other fire prevention educational outreach activities will include; **(1) update and mail Community Evacuation Plan – Ready, Set, Go! (3) community events** / meetings, **(1) newsletter** mailer for distribution, and **(2) media** press release. The project will also support **(20) signage**, maintain a website, Facebook postings related to the project and progress, maintaining the Fire and Weather Watch webcam and the emergency AM1630 local radio, renewing **(2) FIREWISE Communities renewal**, and participation in updating the CWPP with local, state, and federal partnerships.