OES Wildfire Update

- 1. CAL FIRE: 2020 Wildfire Outlook & Wildland Urban Interface
- 2. Public Works Hazardous Vegetation Removal in Quarter 1
- 3. Defensible Space Inspection Cases: 2019 vs 2020
- 4. Ponderosa West Grass Valley Defense Zone
- 5. Green Waste Disposal
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- 7. Ready Nevada County Handbook
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Fire Season Update – <u>2019 Fire Season</u>



- 7,860 SRA wildland fires in 2019
- 258,823 acres were burned
- 732 Structures were destroyed
- 3 Fatalities directly related to fires
- Nevada County has 383,804 acres of SRA
- 259 Wildland Fires in NEU
- 100 SRA Wildland Fires in Nevada County
- All SRA fires in Nevada County were contained at 10 acres or less.

Fire Season Update – <u>2020 Fuels and Weather</u>



- May Snowpack in Sierra is at 59% of normal
- Late winter/spring rains
- Grass loading is higher than average
- Potential for increased lightning dry in nature
- Low potential for monsoonal flows
- Abnormally dry pattern with predicted significant fire danger by July 1

Fire Season Update – <u>2020 State level Preparedness</u>



- CAL FIRE Peak Staffing in June
- Potential Budget impacts post COVID
- Fully funded Grass Valley Fuels Crew
- 2 CNG Crews through 2020
- 4 S-70 Blackhawks in service for fire season
- 23 Airtankers in service and C-130 program on track





Fire Season Update – <u>Fuel Reduction Efforts</u>



- Ponderosa West Grass Valley Defense Zone
- 859 acres treated, 661 acres of private land completed, 198 acres County of Nevada being burned
- Protection of over 3000 residences
- At peak, over 70 personnel were assigned to Fuel Break
- CAL FIRE, CCC, NCFSC, Private Resources
- CAL FIRE has committed \$3.5 Million over 3 years. \$1 Million in year one. \$2.5 Million to be committed over the next two years.

Fire Season Update – <u>Eastside Nevada County Staffing</u>



- Staffed a State Engine in Truckee through Winter of 2019
- Added benefit to Truckee/Tahoe Region –
 88 MA to Truckee FPD
- 351 piles burned in Tahoe/Truckee Region
- Prescribed Fire efforts in Truckee Basin
- Added resource to I-80 corridor at upper end





Fire Season Update – <u>West Slope Nevada County</u>



- Full Staffing at all Nevada County CAL FIRE Stations
- New Dozers at Station 20 and Station 60
- Washington Ridge Camp
- Upcoming WUI Drill in Nevada County
- Continued Collaboration with Nevada County OES and Law Enforcement





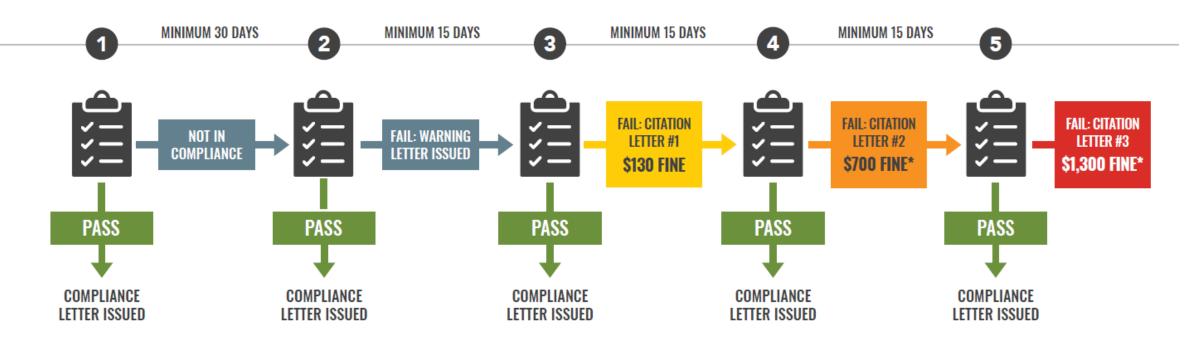
Hazardous Vegetation Removal by Public Workers in Quarter 1





DEFENSIBLE SPACE PROGRAM

TIMELINE FOR PROCESSING INSPECTIONS



EDUCATION/VOLUNTARY COMPLIANCE

ENFORCEMENT *Fines are cumulative.

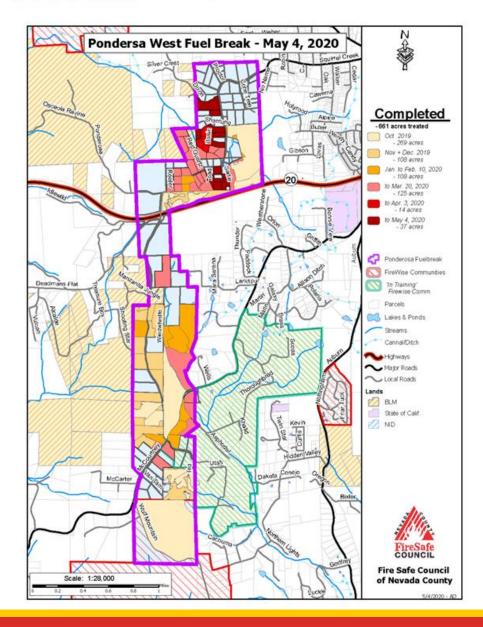












Ponderosa West Grass Valley Defense Zone

- Crews from CAL FIRE, Washington
 Ridge, private vendors, and the Fire Safe
 Council are currently conducting fuels
 reduction on the project
- Coronavirus has not impacted this essential fire mitigation work
- Over 54% of the project is complete

FREE RESIDENTIAL GREEN WASTE DISPOSAL & FREE WOOD CHIP PICK UP

MAY 17-JUNE 27 | 9AM-3PM









FREE RESIDENTIAL GREEN WASTE DISPOSAL

Truckee Rodeo Grounds | 10695 Brockway Rd, Truckee, CA 96161

MAY 22 & MAY 29 | JUNE 19 & JUNE 26 | 8AM-2PM

















VIRTUAL TOWN HALL

PREPARING FOR WILDFIRE IN WESTERN NEVADA COUNTY

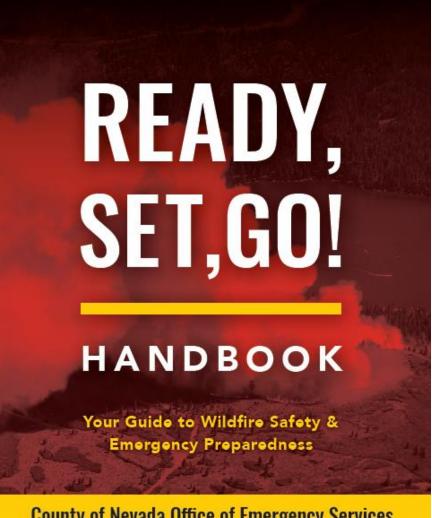
THURSDAY, MAY 21 | 12PM-2PM | YUBANET.COM

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More information at ReadyNevadaCounty.org

2020 Handbook Updates:

- ✓ Generator Safety
- √ 10 Tips for Finding Insurance
- ✓ A Message from the Town of Truckee and Truckee Fire Protection District
- ✓ More ways to dispose of green waste yearround
- ✓ Free Defensible Space Advisory Visits
- ✓ Request Assistance from an Emergency **Preparedness Advisor**
- ✓ Fire mitigation and forest improvement grants for private property owners offered by CAL FIRE & USDA





Emergency Operations Plan Evacuation Annex