

APPENDIX C: COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLANS:

Humboldt County

The Humboldt County Wild Fire Protection Plan (CWPP) focus is on improving the countywide fuels reduction and fire safe planning strategy through a coordinated update and refinement of the Humboldt County CWPP and local CWPPs

The mission of the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council (FSC) is to:

Serve as a forum for the implementation of the measures outlined in the Master Fire Protection Plan (MFPP), share fire-safety information, assess fire risk, promote community fire-safe planning and coordination, link fire-prevention programs, and support the fire service and local fire safe councils.

The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors formed the ad-hoc advisory FSC in 2002 to guide the development of a countywide Fire Plan and assist with its implementation. With the guidance of the FSC, the County of Humboldt prepared the "Humboldt County Master Fire Protection Plan", the County's equivalent to a Community Wildfire Protection Plan .

The fire plan was completed and approved by the Board of Supervisors in 2006 and is intended to be used as a framework for fire coordination, prevention, and protection throughout the county. The Community Development Services Department managed the Fire Plan preparation with assistance from local consultants, Planwest Partners and ForEverGreen Forestry. The FSC is now in the process of guiding a two year plan-update process with the goal of presenting an updated plan to the Board of Supervisors in August of 2012.

The Council also serves as a forum for community organizations and representatives to share fire-safety information, assess fire risk, set fire protection priorities, and develop policies for integration into the County General Plan.

Two other areas of Humboldt County have completed Community Wildland Protection Plans: 1) Lower Mattole Fire Plan for the Lower Mattole Fire Safe Council and 2) Upper Mattole Fire Plan for the Southern Humboldt Fire Safe Council. Both plans were funded with monies from USFS Community Development grants. HUU staff were involved in an advisory role in each of these plans.

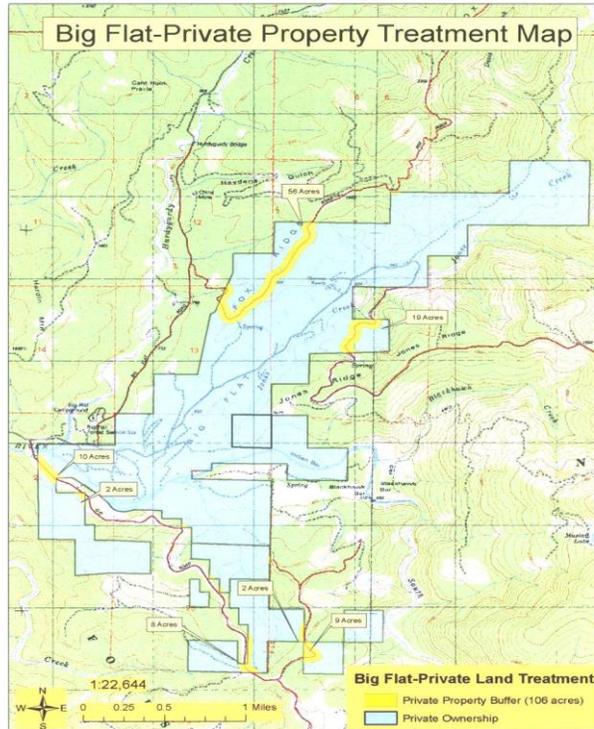
More recently, the Willow Creek Fire Safe Council has obtained a Community Wildfire Protection Plan CWPP for the Willow Creek Area. This effort was supported by HUU staff in an advisory role in coordination with the Willow Creek FSC, Willow Creek Fire and the USFS.

http://co.humboldt.ca.us/planning/fire_safe_council/fsc_mfpp_cwpp.htm

Del Norte County

The Del Norte County Fire Safe Council in cooperation with the Del Norte County Board

of Supervisors has an approved Community Wildfire Protection Plan. HUU staff has been involved in an advisory role during this process.



The above Map shows one of the Current projects that is fund by a USDA WUI grant in Del Norte County Fire Safe Council area.

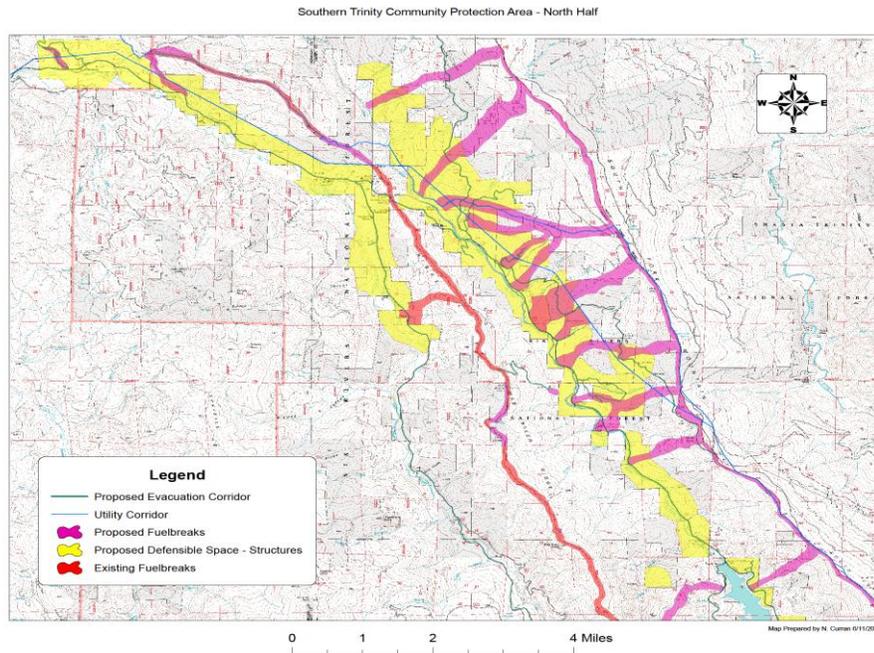
To view the Del Norte County approved CWPP see the link below.

http://slvgis.info/Del_Norte_CWPP/DNFPD_CWPP_Final_4_10_2009.pdf

Trinity County

The Trinity County Fire Safe Council has been holding monthly meetings addressing the Various projects, and plan processes that they are involved in. Currently Trinity County is in the process of being reviewed and updating the CWPP.HUU staff have attended regularly in an advisory role. The link below will allow review of the Trinity County CWPP approved in 2005.

http://www.tcrd.net/pdf/TC_Wildfire_Protection_Plan.pdf



The above map is a landscape level plan proposal in the southern trinity county area. Again in concert with the California Strategic Fire Plan and in cooperation with community and agency input landscape level planning can be achieved. Fire hazards can be reduced with a shared vision among communities and agencies. To view the California Strategic Fire Plan click in the link below

<http://cdfdata.fire.ca.gov/pub/fireplan/fpupload/fpppdf668.pdf>

Willow Creek

The "Community Wildfire Protection Plan for the Greater Willow Creek Area" was accomplished by the Council, funded by a grant from the USDA Forest Service through the California Fire Safe Council Grants Clearinghouse.

Willow Creek is the first community in Humboldt County to be recognized by the national Firewise organization as a Firewise Community. The Willow Creek Fire Safe Council board of directors serves as the Firewise Communities board for Willow Creek.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Willow Creek Fire Safe Council is to reduce wildfire risk and increase survivability by implementing fuels reduction projects and encouraging residents of the Willow Creek area to make their homes, neighborhoods and communities fire safe.

OBJECTIVES

- * Increase community awareness and understanding of both the benefits and threats of wildland fire
- * Educate residents on ways to protect their lives and property from loss to catastrophic wildland fire
- * Generate individual and community action to reduce wildfire hazards and plan for emergency response
- * Reduce wildfire hazards by removing flammable vegetation around homes and evacuation routes
- * Enhance communication between the public and federal, state, county and local agencies to identify and prioritize hazard reduction projects and co-ordinate community planning
- * Develop and monitor a Community Wildfire Protection Plan for the Willow Creek area to address hazard mitigation, community preparedness, structure protection and wildfire response
- * Engage the youth of our communities in fire prevention by providing activities and educational opportunities related to fire safety and protecting natural resources

To view the Willow Creek Community Fire protection Plan click in the link below:

http://co.humboldt.ca.us/planning/fire_safe_council/pdf_files/willowcreekcwpp/willowcreekcwpp-final-body.pdf