



19 GRANITEVILLE TOWNSITE PROJECT

As an addendum to the existing Columbia Hill Fuels Reduction Project, the Fire Safe Council of Nevada County has identified two additional areas for targeted fuels modification / reduction. One of these areas is located in the area immediately surrounding the Graniteville townsite. Graniteville is predominantly heavy timberlands with manzanita under story fuels with approximately 20 year-round residents and a number of seasonal vacation absentee property owners. The community of Graniteville has been very active in fuels reduction activities and wild fire preparedness both independently and in conjunction with the Fire Safe Council of Nevada County.

Event 1: Establish Funding sources – The Fire Safe Council of Nevada County has secured funding for this project from the US Forest Service.

Event 2: Fire Safe Council of Nevada County staff will be working with USFS and CDF staff to complete necessary environmental compliance for the project. This is scheduled to take place in early summer of 2005.

Event 3: Treatment of approximately 120 acres of non-Federal lands within and immediately adjacent to the Graniteville Townsite. This step is planned for this Summer on all private lands surrounding the townsite. Project due to be completed prior to the first snowfall of winter.