

PROJECTS & FIRE PREVENTION

The 2009-2010 Pre-fire and resource management projects serve to protect life, property and the natural resources in San Diego County. The following is a list of active, planning and future projects supported by the San Diego Unit. Many of the projects receive funding support through the Hazardous Fuels Treatment Grant from the USFS State and Private Forestry Services.

Active Projects

- 1) Ramona West End Fuel Break – 109 acres
- 2) Corte Madera Fuel Break – 219 acres
- 3) Sunrise Julian Fuel Break – 288 acres
- 4) Palomar Observatory Fuel Break – 1,000 acres
- 5) Cuyamaca Rancho State Park Reforestation – 100 acres
- 6) Palomar State Park Forest Care – 2,000 acres

Planning Projects

- 1) Ranch Corte Madera VMP – 2,206 acres
- 2) McCain VMP - TBD
- 3) Warner Springs Estates Fuel Break – TBD
- 4) Palomar Observatory VMP – 1,640 acres
- 5) Volcan-San Felipe VMP – 1,400 acres
- 6) Volcan-San Felipe Fuel Break - TBD

Future Projects

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| * Camp Stevens | * Bell Bluff VMP |
| * Camp Wolahi | * Horsethief VMP |
| * International Fuel Break (Multiagency) | * Descanso-Guatay-Pine Valley Fuel Break |
| * Julian Fuel Break | * Red Mt Repeater Road |
| * Julian-Sunrise Extension Fuel Break | * Crestridge Ecological Preserve |
| * Volcan Warner Fuel Break | * Greater Alpine Fuel Break |
| * Lost Valley Boy Scout Camp | * Volcan Mt Demonstration Area |

Truck Trails and Repeater Sites

Projects designed to maintain existing truck trails in drivable conditions and ensure repeater sites meet defensible space requirements. Currently staff is planning the maintenance of truck trails and repeater sites this year.

Coordinated Activities and Partnership Projects

Forest Area Safety Taskforce (FAST)
Fire Safe Councils and Community Wildfire Protection Plans (CWPPs)
San Diego County's Tree Removal Project
Deer Springs Fire Safe Council - Moosa Canyon Fuel Break

Gold spotted Oak Borer (GSOB)

This pest is attacking and killing oak trees in San Diego County. Agencies have established a Steering Committee and Education-Outreach Committee to address complex issues. For more information, visit te website <http://groups.ucanr.org/GSOB/> .

Prevention Bureau

The San Diego Unit has assisted in the reduction of fuel loading and hazard abatement through the burn permit program. In the years 2007-08, CAL FIRE personnel issued a total of 1876 piled vegetation burning permits to local landowners.

The LE-38 program was expanded in FY 03-04 to include the San Diego County clearance ordinance requiring vegetation modification out to 100 feet from structures. This addition to the program significantly expanded “defensible space” around structures in the SRA of San Diego County. The Unit’s LE-100 inspection program has completed 13,062 inspections in 2007-08. Of these inspections, 8,477 were in compliance and 4,585 were in violation. The San Diego Unit in addition to the LE-100 program inspected 4,315 utility poles for the proper clearance. Of these inspections 4,235 were in compliance with 80 violations.