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Planning Manager Immitt,

The CAL FIRE Humboldt-Del Norte Unit supports and endorses CAL FIRE Direct Award funding for forest fuel and fire hazard reduction operations in eastern Humboldt County. The December 2021 Snowstorm damaged a significant number of trees causing an extreme fire hazard if not abated. Much of this damage is within or adjacent to Wildland-Urban Interface areas. This Direct Award proposal offers a highly needed means to begin reduction of forest fuels and associated extreme fire hazard with goals of minimizing adverse impacts from future wildfires in this area. This proposal has been designed in a collaborative effort with CAL FIRE personnel, Humboldt County personnel, and members of the affected community. Operations proposed in this project will enhance the achievement of fuel reduction goals in the Strategic Fire Plan for the Humboldt-Del Norte Unit.

We support your efforts and with this Direct Award proposal, in collaboration with local, State, and county cooperators to help mitigate the threat of wildfire in wildland-urban interface areas.

Sincerely,

Kurt McCray, Unit Chief
CAL FIRE
Humboldt-Del Norte Unit