



NAPAFIREWISE

Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) Template

Dated: __/__/____

Prepared by:

Executive Summary

The _____ Fire Safe Council (__FSC) has developed this Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) for the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) areas within the FSC. A CWPP is a community-based plan focused on identifying and addressing local hazards and risks from wildfire. It determines what is at risk and provides a road map of actions for a community to address the wildfire threat. It may also open up funding opportunities to implement the plan. CWPP's are authorized and defined in Title I of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act (HFRA), passed by Congress in 2003.

The area has had an active fire history, which brings focus to this plan. It is understood that not all fires can be prevented, but appropriate vegetation management and other preparations will minimize the impact and destruction of wildfires.

Decision Makers

The following Community representatives collaborated in the development of the CWPP:

- FSC
- Local government
- Local fire authority
- State or Federal agencies (if applicable)]

Community Risk Assessment

A Community Risk Assessment was engaged by NCCFF and the __FSC and prepared by _____, a forester or wildland fire manager specializing in fire risk issues. The Risk Assessment includes input from the FSC community, local government and local fire authorities. The Risk Assessment dated _____ is attached as Exhibit A.

The Area [Values at Risk]

[Description of FSC, including:

- Maps
- Acreage
- No of homes

- No of residents
- No and names of neighborhoods
- Ingress and egress
- What else do we need here to make it compelling?]

The __FSC covers approximately _____ acres in the _____ area (see map of the area below). [generally describe the boundaries of the FSC]

There are approximately _____ residences in the _____ FSC, with a total of approximately _____ residents.

The _____FSC is made up of _____neighborhoods:

1. [list the neighborhoods]

Many of these neighborhoods face similar risk factors, but there are also significant differences. The most important values at risk are life safety, then improvements to property (residences and vineyards), then natural resources. Because many of the evacuation routes are long and involve poor road conditions, the threat to human life is significant.

The Risk and Vulnerabilities

[There should be enough about the general risk to make it compelling, but then reference the Risk Assessment in Appendix A:

- Topography
- Weather
- Vegetation
- Predicted Fire Behavior
- Fire History
- Structure characteristics
- Accessibility — evacuation and First Responder access
- Water availability
- Fire Hazard Severity rankings

The Plan

The elements of this Plan have been arrived at through a collaborative process, with the understanding that some elements of this plan will require outside funding, that some elements will be easier to accomplish than others, and that all elements will take some time. The projects are listed in 3 sections based on the feasibility and expense of accomplishing these projects from easiest to more difficult.

Projects that can be tackled by residents now

These are projects that residents agree are important and that can be tackled by residents, working together or individually. Each of these projects will contribute to the safety and survivability of the individual residents as well as the community as a whole.

1. [list the “do it now” projects, with enough information to give residents guidance]
- 2.

Projects that can be tackled with “A Little Help From our Friends”

These are projects that require some resources, but small grants or contributions can be sought to fund these.

1. [list the limited funding projects and outline the human resources you need from the community to accomplish these]

Aspirational Projects that require significant funding

1. [list the big aspirational projects with some rationale for why they are important, the prerequisites, other than funding, needed to accomplish them and the cost estimate]

Monitoring Project Progress and Updating the CWPP

A brief project progress report will be provided to NCFE annually and filed with the CWPP. This progress report will be submitted at the beginning of the calendar year for use by the NCFE Grant Committee to assist in grant request and funding planning for the upcoming year.

The CWPP will be updated every 4 years from the date of approval sign off.

Approval Signatures

The _____ Community Wildfire Protection Plan was developed collaboratively and in consultation with interested parties, including Napa Communities Firewise Foundation, Napa County Fire Department, CAL FIRE, and the residents of the _____ community.

The Plan identifies and prioritizes areas for hazardous fuel reduction treatments and recommends other types and methods of treatments that will protect the _____ community.

The following entities mutually agree with the contents of this Community Wildfire Protection Plan:

Agreed: _____

Date: _____

Diane Dillon, Supervisor,

Napa County District 3

Agreed: _____

Date: _____

JC Greenberg, Fire Marshal's Office,

Napa County Fire Department

Agreed: _____

Date: _____

Geoff Belyea, Napa County Fire Chief

Agreed: _____

Date: _____

[Local government official]

Agreed: _____

Date: _____

[Local fire official]

Agreed: _____

Date: _____

Christopher Thompson, President,
Napa Communities Firewise Foundation

Agreed: _____

Date: _____

_____ President, _____ Fire Safe Council

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