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SUCCESS! Forest Health Project in Magalia helps watershed



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Forest Health and Watershed Project succeeds in Magalia area

By Calli-Jane DeAnda

Calli-Jane DeAnda has been the Executive Director of Butte County Fire Safe Council for nine years. She lives in the wildland urban interface and has a passion to help others prepare their homes and land for wildfire.

Butte County Fire Safe Council (BCFSC) and Paradise Irrigation District (PID) have successfully partnered on a project to improve watershed and forest health in Magalia on Paradise Irrigation District lands (PID).

The project is one in a series of grant funded projects with the intent of reducing wildfire threat by thinning small overstocked trees and brush. The current project will benefit 25 acres of PID lands. These projects link to four existing shaded fuel break/forest health projects. Partners have included US Forest Service Plumas National Forest, Bureau of Land Management and CalFire.

"The project improves wildfire safety for both Magalia residents and the water-

shed," says Calli-Jane DeAnda, BCFSC's Executive Director.

The project is funded by a grant from the USDA Forest service and accomplished 55 acres in improved forest health. The project includes many different types of forest species at many different levels of maturity. The forest's overall health has been improved to resist wildfire burning into the canopy of trees.

"These grants will protect water quality for Paradise residents for years to come," notes PID General Manager George Barber. "We want residents to understand that PID is committed to being an active and good steward of our drinking water and the forest it comes from."



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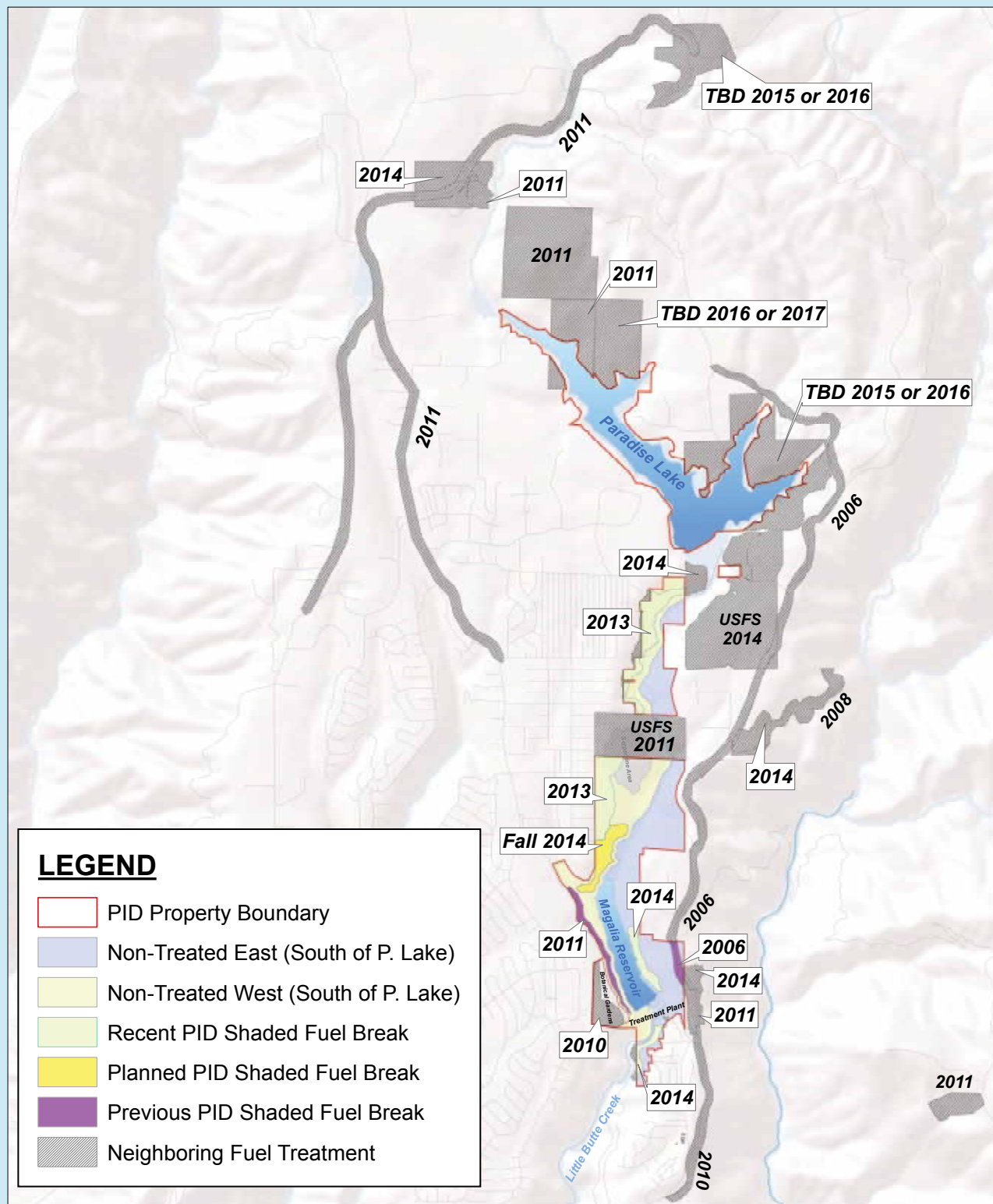
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Scenes from the project



Where is your evacuation plan?

By David Hawks, Division Chief
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Last spring the Butte County Fire Safe Council, in cooperation with PG&E, revised the Paradise/Upper Ridge Evacuation Plans.

California is in the midst of its fourth year of drought so we're reminding citizens to prepare their home, family and pets for wildfire.

I encourage you to obtain a copy, available at the Butte County Fire Safe Council, and become familiar with the plan.

Now, while the weather is mild, is the time to prepare your home by creating defensible space and reducing structural ignition, establish a Family Disaster Plan to include special needs and pets, prepare a "Go bag," and become familiar with your community's evacuation plan.

The plan includes ideas to:

READY your home and family to prepare for wildfire,
SET the things to do as the fire approaches, and finally to evacuate, then
GO following the direction of authorities.