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Press Release

Notice of Fuels Reduction:

Forest Ranch - Forest Knolls Mastication Project

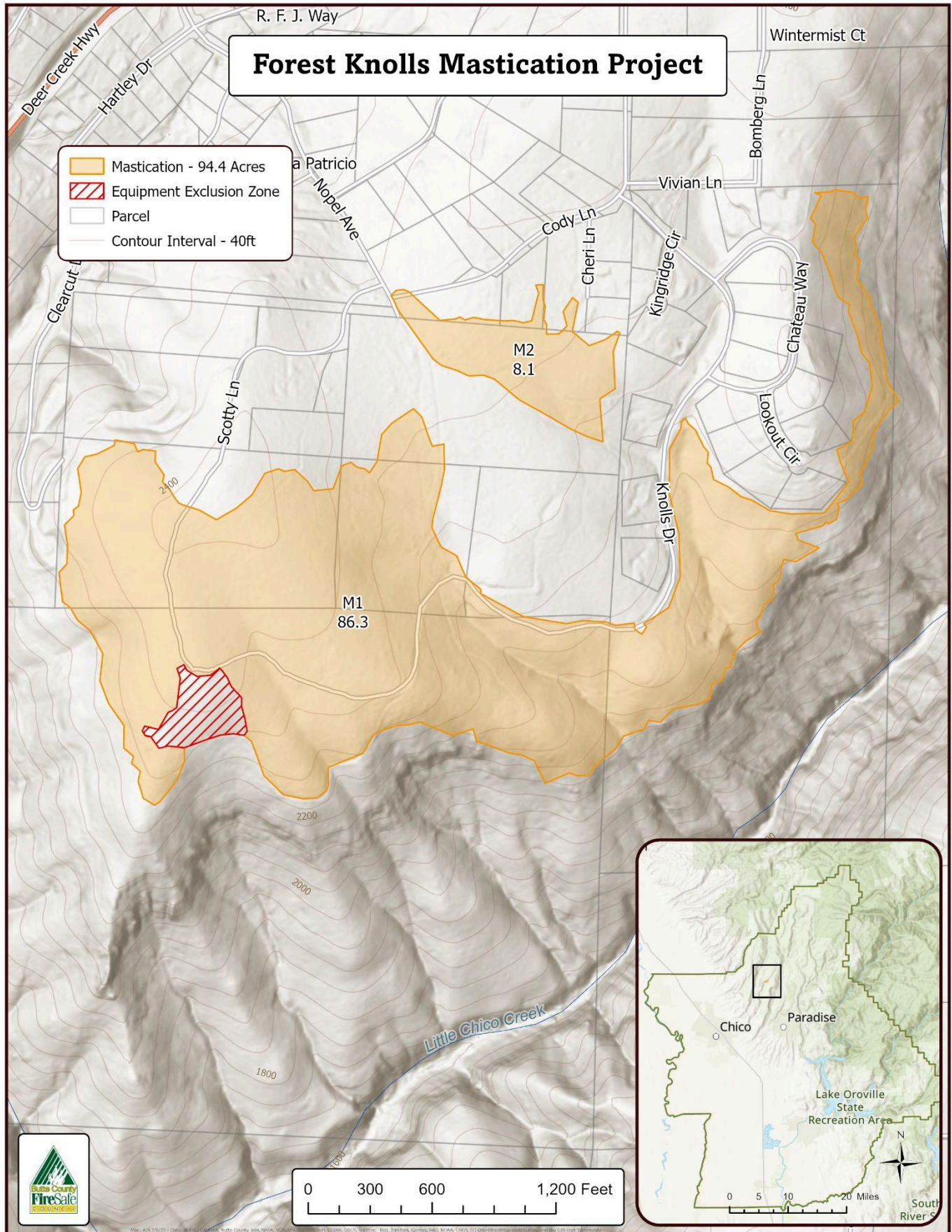
To enhance public safety, reduce hazardous fuels, and enhance the beauty and health of our forests in Forest Ranch, the Butte County Fire Safe Council (BCFSC), in collaboration with CAL FIRE and California Climate Investments (CCI), will carry out fuels reduction through mastication. These efforts aim to decrease dense vegetation, restore forest health, and improve watershed resilience within our Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) communities.

The project is located on private lands throughout the community of Forest Ranch, spanning 94.5 acres of treatment. The location is part of a larger effort to continue previously completed and upcoming projects to improve overall fire safety for communities adjacent to Little Chico Creek and its ravine. Understory vegetation will be reduced through mechanical mastication to establish a fuel break. Work began in September and will continue until the project is completed in the spring.

The Butte County Fire Safe Council is a grassroots non-profit organization that implements a variety of fuels reduction and forest health projects in operation around Butte County including Forbestown, Berry Creek, Forest Ranch, Cohasset, Paradise, Big Chico Creek Canyon, and Oroville Foothills. More information can be found on BCFSC's website <https://buttefiresafe.net/>, Facebook or by calling our office at (530) 877-0984.

"Funding for Forest Knolls Mastication Project was provided by CAL FIRE's Forest Health Program, as part of California Climate Investments. California Climate Investments, a statewide program that puts billions of Cap-and-Trade dollars to work reducing GHG emissions, strengthening the economy, and improving public health and the environment—particularly in disadvantaged communities. The Cap-and-Trade program also creates a financial incentive for industries to invest in clean technologies and develop innovative ways to reduce pollution. California Climate Investments projects include affordable housing, renewable energy, public transportation, zero-emission vehicles, environmental restoration, more sustainable agriculture, recycling, and much more. At least 35 percent of these investments are located within and benefiting residents of disadvantaged communities, low-income communities, and low-income households across California. For more information, visit the California Climate Investments website at: www.caclimateinvestments.ca.gov."

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