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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)**

**FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Hazard Tree Inspections**

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The Butte County Fire Safe Council (BCFSC) invites you to submit a proposal for hazard tree identification for FEMA Grant DR-4407-0497.

**Project Overview**

Butte County Fire Safe Council (BCFSC) has been awarded a Hazard Mitigation Grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). FEMA Grant DR-4407-0497 will fund a program to reduce future fires' rate of spread, intensity, and hazard to homes and infrastructure by creating defensible space and fuels reduction for participants across the Butte County wildland urban-interface (WUI) area. The program will be available to residences within 500' of officially designated main evacuation routes and within the unincorporated areas of Butte County. Overall, the project will conduct defensible space inspections and identify the locations of hazardous trees within 300' of a homesite and within 500' of evacuation routes.

The grant has two phases. The purpose of Phase 1 is to build a solid foundation for the program and to identify up to 1,400 homesites for defensible space inspections and identify hazardous trees at up to 1,200 sites. This RFP only pertains to hazard tree identification which will be conducted on up to 1200 parcels within 500 feet of an evacuation route. The chosen contractor shall be an ISA Certified Arborist or Registered Professional Forester to inspect and identify hazard trees for removal under this FEMA grant program on the qualified properties.

**If interested, please email Ron Ward at [ron\\_ward@buttefiresafe.net](mailto:ron_ward@buttefiresafe.net) for a full copy of the RFP. For questions and other information, please call 530-877-0984.**