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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Defensible Home Space Inspections

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The Butte County Fire Safe Council (BCFSC) invites you to submit a proposal for defensible space evaluations 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 defensible space inspections which will be conducted for up to 800 homes within 500 feet of an evacuation route.

For the grant application, the contractor will perform defensible space and vegetation management inspections outlined in in accordance with the State of California Public Resources Code (PRC) 429, Butte County Ordinance No 4199:

(https://www.buttecounty.net/Portals/14/Fire%20Prevention%20and%20Protection%20Ordinance.pdf ?ver=2021-03-22-082155-437), and in Butte County's Vegetation Management Program requirements, Butte County Code 38A.

All proposals will be based on per unit pricing. In this case, pricing is per APN. Respondent firms will provide a bid per "Home Inspection" performed that meets our scope of work requirements for up to 800 home inspections. For example, if the bid was \$200 per home inspection tree identification, the total bid would be \$160,000 for 800 home inspections.

If interested, please email Ron Ward at <u>ron_ward@buttefiresafe.net</u> for a full copy of the RFP. For questions and other information, please call 530-877-0984.