

Obtaining Assistance for Your Community

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Assistance Available to Communities

- Homeowner/Community Education
 - Living with Fire Program
 - FAC Learning Network
 - Online Resources
- Technical Assistance
- Financial Assistance



Homeowner/Community Education

- Living with Fire
- Fire Adapted Communities
- FAC Learning Network
- Firewise USA
- Ready, Set, Go! Program
- Neighbors
- Search YouTube/Google:
 - “Defensible Space”
 - “Home Ignition Zone”
 - “Wildland Urban Interface”
 - “Jack Cohen Fire”

Living With Fire



FIREWISE USA
RESIDENTS REDUCING WILDFIRE RISKS

Technical Assistance



- Nevada Division of Forestry
- Local Fire Protection Districts
- Bureau of Land Management
- United States Forest Service
- Resource Conservation Districts
- Fire Adapted Communities

Financial Assistance



- **Western States Fire Managers (WSFM)**
- **Hazardous Fuels-Community Protection (HF-CP)**
- **Landscape Scale Restoration (LSR)**
- FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)
- Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act (SNPLMA)
- Other

OVERVIEW

LSR, HF-CP, WSFMs



- Fund source – USDA Forest Service
- 17 western states compete for the grant funds
- NDF solicits proposals from partners
- NDF is the final applicant

Process



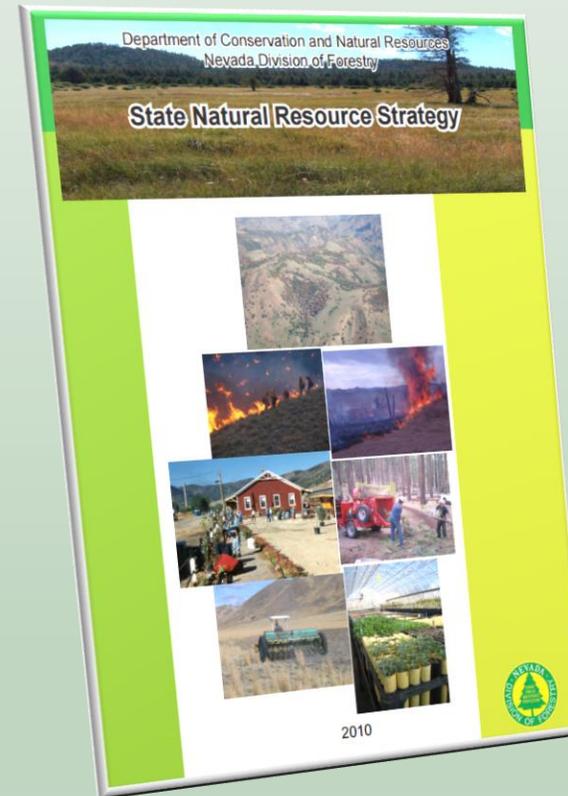
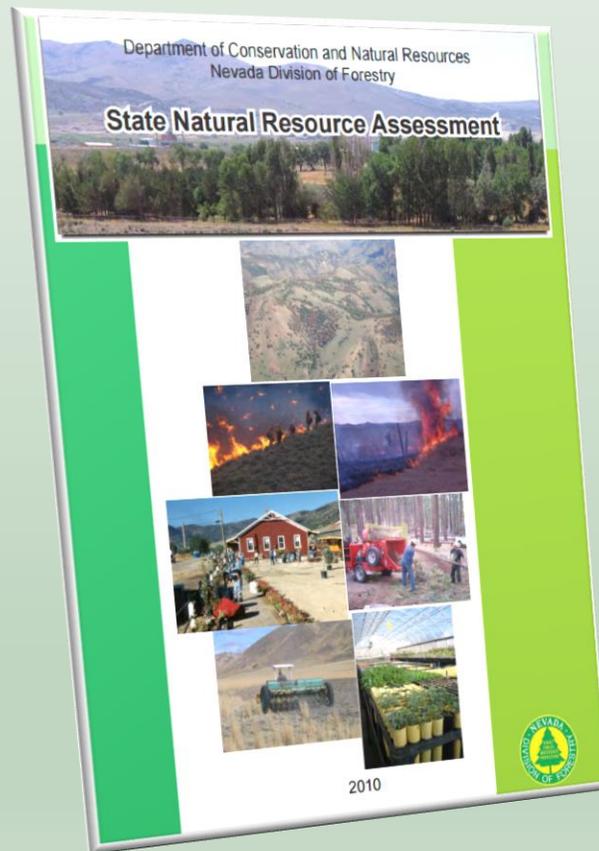
Pre-Proposal Application



- Applicants can request up to \$300,000 per project proposal.
- Eligible applicants include other state and local governmental agencies, tribes, non-profit organizations, homeowners associations, owners of large private land tracts and educational institutions.
- Applicant provides 1:1 match (LSR) or $\geq 10\%$ match (HF-CP & WSFM).
- Funds cannot be spent on federal lands.
- Financial or in-kind partner leverage is important.

Projects Must Address: Nevada Forest Action Plan

State Wide Forest Resource Assessment and Strategy



Landscape Scale Restoration (LSR) Grant

NDF

- Can submit 3 LSR applications for competition with western states, including one multi-state proposal.
- Projects are selected and developed from successful pre-proposals.

Projects

- Address national/state themes to protect, enhance and conserve forests.
- Funding Authorities:
 - Forest Stewardship
 - Forest Health
 - Fire

LSR Projects



- Innovative projects that focus on collaborative efforts among multiple stakeholders.
- Project work crosses ownership, management and/or jurisdictional boundaries.
- Address local or statewide forest resource issues in Nevada's Forest Action Plan.

<http://forestry.nv.gov/forestry-resources/state-resource-assessments/>

<https://www.forestrygrants.org/westernLSR/>

Western State Fire Managers (WSFM) & Hazardous Fuels-Community Protection (HF-CP) Grants



- WSFM and HF-CP Program grants-modify fire behavior, protect life and property
- NDF can submit 10 WSFM Grants
- NDF can submit 3 HF-CP Grants

Fire Grant Criteria

CRITERIA

Hazardous Fuels - Community Protection (HF-CP)*	Western States Fire Managers (WSFM)*
Project MUST be in CWPP as a priority project	Project MUST be in CWPP or Propose to Complete a CWPP as part of the project
Project MUST be adjacent to recent, current or planned USFS project on USFS lands	Project NOT ownership adjacent specific
Project match of 10% or greater MUST be provided by the applicant or collaborator. Greater match and leverage will favor the grant. Cash or In-kind is acceptable.	Project match of 10% or greater MUST be provided by the applicant or collaborator. Greater match and leverage will favor the grant. Cash or In-kind is acceptable.

** All grant money is courtesy of the USFS*

WHAT IS A WSFM or HF-CP PROJECT?



Project pre-determined and pre-defined in a CWPP?

EXAMPLES

- ❑ Fuel Breaks
 - ❑ Shaded
 - ❑ Green Strip
- ❑ Forest Thinning
- ❑ Defensible Space
- ❑ Watershed Protection

Who Can Apply?



- ❑ Any County with proof the project is identified in a **CWPP**
- ❑ Local or state governments with proof the project is in a **CWPP** and they have capacity to manage project
- ❑ Any accredited non-profit or company with proof the project is in a **CWPP** and they have capacity to manage project
- ❑ Landowners that have private lands where community protection projects specified in **CWPP** are going to be implemented

Developing Projects



What's worked well:

- Start Early! Good project proposals take 6-12 months to fully mature.
- Hold planning meetings with potential partners.
- Identify and discuss potential issues.
- Find out who is doing what, where. Identify gaps.
- Support project with data, assessments and maps.
- Identify specific and measurable project deliverables & outcomes.

Leverage & Partnerships



Partnerships are key!

- Sizeable match and leverage contributions demonstrate collaboration and widespread support.
- Leverage is defined as funding available/committed to project activities that is not allowable as match.
- **Additional federal funds/resources are often used as leverage. Cannot be used as match/in-kind.**
- Partnering organizations can provide leverage through project development, implementation and complementary work on federal lands.

NDF Grants Website:

<http://forestry.nv.gov/grants/>



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Thank you

Questions?