



Tuolumne Fire Safe Council – Executive Director’s Project Report: May, 2026

Albert Alt, Executive Director

Active Projects:

Project	Update
Big Hill Maintenance (Uery, McGowan)	Closeout completed: Closeout requires written report/narrative along with before and after photos and financial reconciliation. Final payment has been issued on grant. Total award was \$414,141.00 and we spent \$399,363.06 on treatment (Remaining award: \$14,777.94 = 96% of funds expended).
Summerville (Johnson)	Closeout completed: Closeout requires written report/narrative along with before and after photos and financial reconciliation. Final payment has been issued on grant. Total award was \$396,539.00 and we spent \$379,232.27 on treatment (Remaining award: \$17,306.73 = 96% of funds expended).
Defensible Space (Fremd, McGowan, Lane)	<p>Over 120 residences have been treated under the program, to date.</p> <p>Pheonix Lake unit has been completed and Project Managers are in the process of reaching out to residents that were confirmed in the program in the Lower 108 Unit.</p> <p>At the completion of the Pheonix Lake unit, a rough estimate of remaining funding will allow for approximately 60 more residences to be completed.</p> <p>Website has been updated with information that the program is currently fully subscribed and will be open to registration in the future, should additional funding become available.</p>
Groveland/120 Area (Lane)	<p>Smith Station treatment (Alpine) completed 02/09/2026. Treatment area, as verified by Cal FIRE on 2/11/2026 was approximately 34 acres total.</p> <p>Groveland Unit treatment completed 04/032026, total of 20.8 acres. Cal FIRE verified acreage 04/17/2026. Final treatment invoice from Alpine has been received and paid. Project does not</p>



	<p>have available area for additional treatment and will be closed out in coming months. Project budget has approximately \$98,000 remaining and grant performance end date of 04/2026.</p>
<p>Dragoon Gulch (Lewicki/TBD/Lane)</p>	<p>Treatment contractor (Left Coast) completed mastication in January. Handwork completed in March and pile burning was completed the week of April 24th. Verification of treatment and pile burndown is in process. Verification must occur prior to payment of last invoice to treatment contractor.</p> <p>After completion of planned project, approximately \$190,000 remain for additional treatment. In discussion with CalFire to add treatment of approximately 35 acres on Stockton Rd. from the Washington Fire burn scar.</p>
<p>Kewin Mills (TBD/McGowan)</p>	<p>CEQA Notice of Exemption (NOE) has been obtained. Next step is to complete RFP for treatment contractor and plan beginning of treatment work. Project manager TB.</p>
<p>Tuolumne Area (Johnson/Wolfe)</p>	<p>Executed Grant agreement has been obtained. CEQA contract has been awarded to Westside. Adam has begun the process of the review, with anticipation of the in-field review completed in May, report to follow. Full completion of CEQA process is anticipated August of 2026.</p> <p>Budget amendment for salary and benefits of executive director is submitted and has been approved.</p>