



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

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Active Projects:

Project	Update
Wildfire County Coordinator Grant (COCO)	Continuing program implementation and prioritizing deliverables, working to get contracts in place to meet deliverables and attending required meetings. Completion of required progress reports, attendance of the Coordinator annual meeting in October.
Defensible Space (Fremd, McGowan, Lane)	Grant is near fully expended with more properties on the approved list of treatment that funding allows. Project managers have identified properties in areas of priority treatment and are getting quotes on properties. Treatments will be in smaller blocks, approximately 5 properties per engagement, to ensure grant is not over expended.
Groveland/120 Area (Lane)	Project budget has approximately \$98,000 remaining and grant performance end date of 04/2027. Project has remaining funds. Grant will be kept open through the winter for potential additional treatment opportunities. SWIFT did tour of projects in southern portion of Tuolumne and Mariposa County. Tour included Smith Station Road portion of project. Alec and I attended and reviewed project with SWIFT attendees in the field. No new information for October.
Dragoon Gulch (Lane)	Additional treatment area approved on Stockton Rd., impacted by Dove Fire. Examining additional area to utilize remaining budget. Invoice submitted to CalFIRE for work completed prior to Dove Fire. CalFIRE Southern Grants allowing TFSC to keep Advance funds on account for 6 months to find new treatment area. Currently, there has not been a good option to replace the Stockton Rd. treatment area. Time is limited to engage a new treatment area with the grant end in February 2027.



<p>Cont page 2</p> <p>Kewin Mills (McGowan/Lane)</p>	<p>7/9/2026, walked project boundary with Westside Forestry, PM's. Reviewed project boundaries and exclusionary areas and reflagged CEQA boundaries and project treatment area.</p> <p>RFP has been released to bidders with bid walk scheduled 10/29 and bid closing in November, with selection and Notice to Proceed (NTP) for December 1 treatment start date.</p>
<p>Tuolumne Area (Johnson/Wolf)</p>	<p>CEQA and mapping completed for project area and submitted for public comment. Awaiting approval and submission to Statewide Clearinghouse (SCH) for CEQA.</p> <p>CalFire informed TFSC the CEQA document included treatment options not in the initial grant approval. Grant amendment has been submitted and is under consideration by Southern Region Grants. Once grant amendment is approved, CEQA process can progress again.</p> <p>Once CEQA document is approved, TFSC can apply for advance funds. RFP is in draft process and release of RFP, selection and treatment dates will be coordinated with receipt of advance funds so that treatment expenses can be paid and treatment is verified.</p>