

## FLC Wildfire Preparedness Survey

November/December 2020

Number of Responses: 37

### 1. Rate your comfort level with the fire resilience of your forest dwelling based on the scale below.

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.

Least Comfortable	Somewhat Comfortable	Comfortable	More Comfortable	Definitely Comfortable
3	13	6	10	4
8%	36%	17%	28%	11%

### 2. Rate your comfort level with the fire resistance of your forest based on the scale below.

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.

Least Comfortable	Somewhat Comfortable	Comfortable	More Comfortable	Definitely Comfortable
9	13	6	6	2
25%	36%	17%	17%	6%

### 3. Are the properties adjoining your forest adequately fire resistant (use the scale below)?

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.

Don't Know	Not At All	Somewhat	Mostly	Completely
1	21	13	1	1
3%	57%	35%	3%	3%

### 4. Do you have an evacuation plan?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes	25	67.5%
No	11	29.7%
No Responses	1	2.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>100%</b>

**5. Have you ever experienced wildfire on your property?**

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes	12	32.4%
No	25	67.5%
No Responses	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>100%</b>

**6. Have you obtained grants for forest thinning? If yes, tell us which agency/agencies, how many grants and the number of acres (e.g., CFIP, EQIP).**

32 Response(s)

Equip 30 acres out of 44	
Not lately.	
CFIP 15 acres	
2 grant contracts. NRCS, EQIP. 12 acres and 14 acres.	
no	
YES Equip 3 80	
No	
No. In process of applying when Zogg Fire burned through.	
Yes cfip 10	
yes, CFIP, EQIP, ACP; 400 acres and several re-entries.	
CFIP	
CFIP, Equip in the last decade	
Yes - 2 CFIP Grants: One for a Management Plan and one for thinning and	
CFIP project approved, but was ranked medium priority and did not get	
EQIP grants for 55 acres and for 33 acres. CalFire grant for 30 acres	
CFIP, decades ago. One grant for about 500 acres.	
no	
NA	
No. Just had EQIP out. Have done a lot of livestock EQIP, fences, water	
CFIP and EQUIP. Two in the last decade. About 40 acres treated. Also	
no	
yes, CFIP to thin prune and release the entire property over a period of	
no	
no	
yes, EQIP approx 50 acres	
No	
Equip several	
EQIP, 1 grant pending (pending for 9 months), for 12 acres out of 600.	
Yes	
A few years ago for partial clearance around dwelling, it was a cost share	
no, but certainly interested	
CFIP, Fountain Fire 1994 - 35 acres replanted, 2000 - 35 acres thinned	EQIP, Big Bend 2015 - 10 acres, fuel reduction

**7. Have you used broadcast prescribed burns (as opposed to burning slash piles) to maintain your forest?**

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes	3	8.1%
No	34	91.8%
No Responses	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>100%</b>

**8. Do you have a timber harvest plan (TMP)?**

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes	6	16.2%
No	31	83.7%
No Responses	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>100%</b>

**9. Do you have a non-industrial timber management plan (NTMP)?**

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes	20	54.0%
No	17	45.9%
No Responses	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>100%</b>

**10. State what management options you use for your forest to reduce forest fuel buildup:**

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Timber Harvest	23	62.1%
Manual Thinning	31	83.7%
Mechanized Thinning	17	45.9%
Herbicide Treatments	16	43.2%
Prescribed Fire	1	2.7%
Other	10	27.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>100%</b>

**11. If you used contractors to thin your forest, what was the method used and cost per acre?**

26 Response(s)

30 acre mastication @ approx \$1150/acre including limbing up all the trees
Hand felling, mechanized brushing, chipping, pile burning cost approx
Mechanical. \$185/hour
Mastication Varied
Mechanical. Biomass paid its way off of the property.
Masticator \$180/ hr for equipment and operator
Don't remember. Forester set it up.
Various costs:
unable to secure contractors.
Mastication and hand thinning in sensitive areas. Cost info not available at
Manual thinning and not sure of cost per acre, but for 100 acres the total
Same as in #10. Cost ranges from \$45/hour to \$240/hour.
3 grants. \$1,000 per acre, \$1200 per acre, a d \$1300 per acre
Salvage logging creates income.
NA
Would like more info here about what is usually charged. Ron is also an
Mechanical release, hand release. Cost per acre not readily available
no contractors
no
no contractors
n/a to date the EQIP starts in 2021
MAastication-\$2,000/acre
Mechanical track excavator, used to removed burned brush stalks
No NTO Operations since 2003, Intended ,Cal Fire ( CDF) Approved NTO
no, but I've encouraged some licensed timber operators to develop such
No

**12. Would you like more assistance to improve the management and resilience of your forest (select all that apply)?**

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Thinning Grants	22	70.9%
Prescribed Fire	12	38.7%
Coordinated Fuels Reduction Projects with Your Neighbors to Improve	19	61.2%
Reduced Regulatory Oversight and Control to Make it Easier for You to	26	83.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>100%</b>

13. Do you plan to commercially harvest timber from your property within the next:

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
5 Years	11	29.7%
10 Years	11	29.7%
20 Years	4	10.8%
Other	9	24.3%
No Responses	2	5.4%
<b>Total</b>	37	100%
Not planning to harvest other than dead trees		
The 300' Defensible space prgrm.		
5-10 yrs		
5 years if property is not sold by then.		
Hopefully next year will harvest		
Uncertain, may just harvest for ranch use. Depends on THP difficulty and cost.		
annually		
annually if log prices allow.		
5-10, contingent on markets		

#### 14. What is the total acreage of your forest?

37 Response(s)

44
470
135 acres of forest, 182 acres total property
144
12 acres
80
30
50 to 60
200
17
500
27 1/3 acres, plus neighboring relatives, total 80
20
80
100
Approx 2800 acres, but multiple parcels
320 acres
500
Property 680 ac., timber 500.
40
40
25 acres
40
80-100 + junktree and brush. 350 acres pasture.
80 acres
20 acres
94
20 acres Humboldt co 10 acres El Dorado county
20 acres humboldt co 10 acres el dorado co
200
About 250 acres
90 acres several tree farms
600 nominal.
3400
@50ish
40 acres
220 acres

**15. Would you be willing to participate in Zoom meetings about policy discussions and events concerning forest management and fuel reduction topics?**

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes	26	70.2%
No	10	27.0%
No Responses	1	2.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>100%</b>

**16. Would you be willing to gather and share with FLC summarized information on your county's and fire safe council's current programs to aid landowners with fuel reduction and defensible space protection projects? If yes, include the county where your forestland is located.**

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes	15	40.5%
No	17	45.9%
No Responses	5	13.5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>100%</b>

19 Comment(s)

Siskiyou
Mendocino
Shasta
Shasta County
Shasta and Tehama counties
Too old--but would like the information.
Siskiyou
I am for this goal but at present have too many other obligations at present to take on more
Shasta County
Siskiyou county
Shasta
The property is remote and I have a dead beat partner.
NA
Sonoma Really short of time this year though.
I wish I had the time.
Mendocino
Lake.
Mendocino
Coastal Mendocino county

17. Would you be willing to collect and share with FLC information as to what permits, if any, your county requires of forest landowners who wish to do fuel reduction and defensible space protection projects? If yes, include the county where your forestland is located.

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes	14	37.8%
No	19	51.3%
No Responses	4	10.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>100%</b>

17 Comment(s)

Siskiyou
Shasta
Shasta County
Shasta and Tehama
No permits required for both of these counties other than burning permits.
Too old--But would like the information.
Siskiyou
Same as above
Siskiyou County
I do not see where county permits would be involved at all.
Don't mean to be uncooperative but we live 140 mi from the property and are such small potatoes with only 25 acres that we don't have much to offer. Our trees and brush are too dense for a controlled burn and the land is too steep for machine access.
Humboldt
Sonoma. I would like this information but with building a house I am swamped.
Same as above.
I do the vegetation management on our Humboldt and El Dorado county properties and don't get permits for it. Use gas powered tools (chain saw, cycle bar brush cutter, string trimmer (weed eater). Sometimes I go with manual hedge trimmer, lopper shears and pruning saw.
Mendocino
In general, county permits are not required or authorized by the Forest Practices Act for any activity included in the definition of "timber activities" which includes far more than harvesting. For example "site preparation burning" is exempt from county regulation.
Mendocino, yes within reason. In the convolution of County Permitting processes, It may not be possible to be certain of them all.
Mendocino county