



LAKE BASIN HAZARDOUS FUELS REDUCTION PROJECT

FUNDING

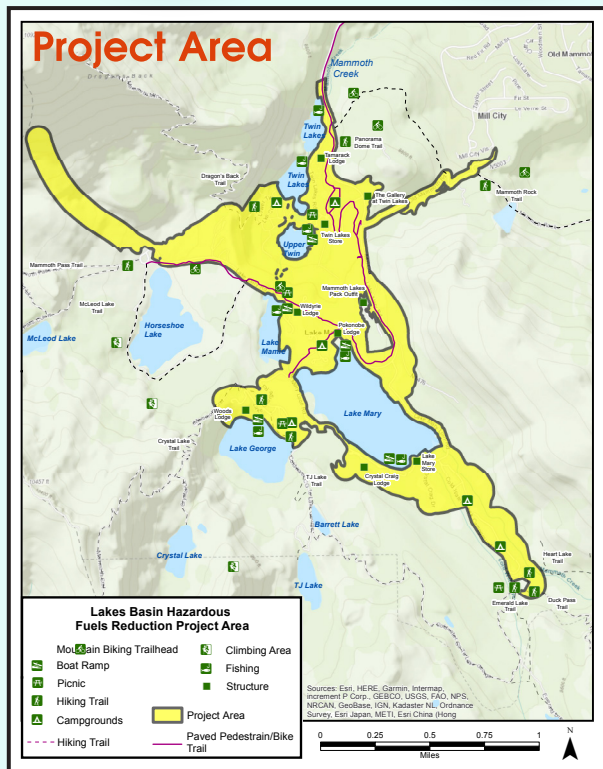
Mammoth Lakes Fire Safe Council received a \$1,000,000 grant from the Sierra Nevada Conservancy

TIME LINE

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What is Fuel Reduction?

Fuel reduction projects remove vegetation (fuel) from project areas. This project will thin the forest in the Lakes Basin by removing live and dead trees, cutting dense brush and pruning branches along roads and around cabins. Fuels will be disposed of by: piling and burning, chipping, and/or removal from the area.

Why is Fuel Reduction needed?

Over the past decade wildfires in California have become larger and burned at higher severity. An analysis conducted by the Inyo National Forest in 2018 concluded that the Lakes Basin is likely to burn at high severity under the right weather conditions. This project aims to reduce wildfire severity, improve public and firefighter safety, protect infrastructure and Mammoth Lakes' drinking water supply. Fuels reduction work will also improve forest health and reduce the future likelihood of tree mortality from pests, pathogens, and drought by making more nutrients available to remaining trees, this will preserve the natural beauty of the area.

Will the wood be available to the public?

Yes! Some wood from the project will be made available for public wood cutting. USFS personal fuel woodcutting permits will be required for collecting the wood.

BEFORE



AFTER



REDUCE DENSITY
REMOVE DANGEROUS TREES
RETAIN WILDLIFE HABITAT TREES
PRUNE LOW BRANCHES
REMOVE SURFACE FUELS
KEEP WILDLIFE HABITAT LOGS



Working together to protect Mammoth



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