



**Shasta County Department of Public Works
Title III Project Submission Form
FY 2017/18
Applications due July 14, 2017**

*Project must be located in Shasta County
Only those projects meeting Title III requirements will be considered for funding.
Please limit application narrative to no more than two pages.
Please submit 3 copies of your proposal and one PDF of all documents submitted.*

For questions regarding Title II or Title III projects or eligibility, contact Ken Cristobal at 530-225-5661, or email kcristobal@co.shasta.ca.us

Project Name: Firewise Recognition for Shasta Forest Village Subdivision

Project Submitted by: Western Shasta Resource Conservation District

Project Coordinator Name & Phone Number Gary Lauben (530) 365-7332 ext. 209

Contact E-Mail: GLauben@WesternShastaRCD.org

Tax Identification #: 68-0285373

Requested Amount and Budget Information (attach proposed budget):

Title III Funds Requested	\$ 65,250.00
Other Funding	\$
In-Kind or Match	\$ 3,440.00
Total Project Cost	\$ 68,690.00

Submitting Agency (please check appropriate category):

County Department	Conservation District	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Local Government	Non-Profit	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fire Safe Council		<input type="checkbox"/>
Volunteer Fire		<input type="checkbox"/>

Project Type (please check appropriate category):

Search, Rescue, and Emergency Services	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fire Prevention and County Planning	<input type="checkbox"/>
Firewise Communities Program Activities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

1. Project Location: Shingletown, CA

2. Nearest forest service land: Lassen National Forest

3. Statement of Project Purpose, Goals, and Objectives (maximum 5 lines):

The project will facilitate the process of Shasta Forest Village becoming a Firewise USA Community, including: (a) obtaining a wildfire risk assessment; (b) creating a committee and action plan based on the assessment; (c) conducting a "Firewise Day"; (d) investing a minimum of \$2 per capita in Firewise actions per year; and (e) creating a Firewise account and submit the application to our Firewise liaison.

- 4. Detailed Project Description (*attach separate page if necessary*)**
Include project photos, drawings, letters of support, resource information, and any other supporting documentation.

See attached page.

- 5. Explain how project meets the grant criteria and why (maximum 16 lines):**

The project meets Title III authorized uses - Section 302(a) - "To carry out activities under the Firewise Communities program." Specifically, Section 302(a)(1) authorizes mitigation assistance to homeowners including: assisting communities with Firewise planning, including conducting a Firewise community assessment; hosting "clean-up days" to encourage homeowners to remove brush and other vegetation from around their homes; assisting communities with applications for Firewise Communities recognition; providing grants or partial funding for removal of vegetation from around homes; and providing chippers to treat hazardous vegetation within the home ignition zone. The project would meet all of the above criteria.

6. How is this project in the best public interest (maximum 16 lines)?

Shingletown is located in a fire-prone area of dense conifers often with an understory of Manzanita and other "ladder fuels". This project will help to protect individual properties from wildfire and also help protect Shingletown as a whole. By learning that they can make a significant difference in the ignitability of their homes, homeowners will be motivated to take the steps to do so. Shasta Forest Village would be the first Firewise USA community in Shasta County and could serve as a model for others. The project would also help in the removal of excess fuels as part of the community "chipper day."

7. Estimated Project Start Date: October 1, 2017

8. Estimated Project Completion Date: September 30, 2018

Signature  **Date** July 12, 2017

- **Project must be located in Shasta County**
- **Project and Applicant must meet Title III eligibility requirements**
- **Non-county agencies are required to complete a Personal Services Agreement with Shasta County**
- **Grant recipients must meet Shasta County's indemnification policy**
- **Funds shall be reimbursed at project completion, unless otherwise agreed upon**
- **Reimbursement requests must include project title**
- **Unused funds will remain with Shasta County**
- **All projects must be completed no later than September 30, 2018**

4. Detailed Project Description

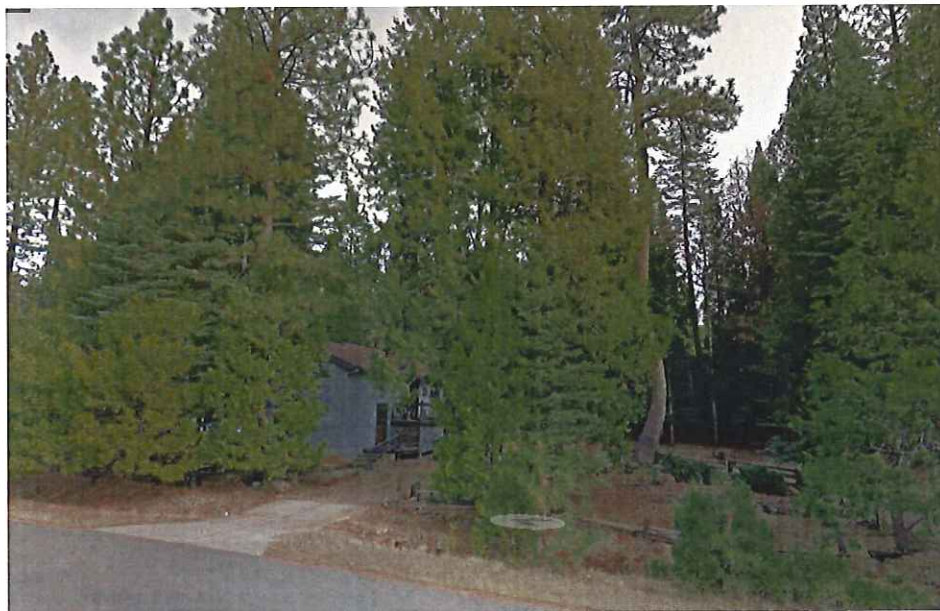
Shasta Forest Village is located on the west side of Shingletown, just north of I-44. It is the largest subdivision in Shingletown with approximately 454 parcels and 405 homes. It exemplifies a community in the Wildland/Urban Interface (WUI) and is an excellent candidate for firesafe activities. It would be the first Firewise USA community in Shasta County and could serve as a model for others.

The process would begin with a wildfire risk assessment which would be written with homeowners, CAL FIRE and the Shingletown Volunteer Fire Company. This assessment will include a description of the severe case wildland fire characteristics that could threaten the area, definition of the Home Ignition Zone, observations, recommendations and successful firewise modifications.

Next a committee of community members will be formed and an action plan developed. The action plan will include at least three agreed-upon, doable action items that will improve the community's wildfire readiness. One of these actions will be a Firewise Day which will likely be a "chipper day" that uses the WSRCD's chippers and gathers volunteers to chip up brush and small limbs. A Firewise Day is an opportunity for neighborhoods and fire agencies to work together. Because of the size of the subdivision, WSRCD will conduct at least two additional days of chipping beyond the Firewise Day.

The final step will be to submit an application to our state Firewise liaison, Pete Muñoa (Deputy Chief, CAL FIRE, Office of the State Fire Marshal), who has expressed support for this project. His letter of support is attached.

Below are selected photos of the Shasta Forest Village community.







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July 12, 2017

Gary Lauben
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Mr. Lauben,

I am writing this letter to you in support of your efforts to organize the community of Shasta Forest Village in Shingletown to be a participant in the NFPA Firewise Communities program.

I look forward to receiving your application to learn more about the community and firesafe activities being conducted and future planning.

Fire prevention is a responsibility of all citizens and stakeholders in California and I truly appreciate the level of participation being provided in Community of Shasta Forest Village.

Best regards,

Pete Muñoa
Deputy Chief
CAL FIRE / Office of the State Fire Marshal