



Southern Marin Fire Protection District

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Dear Resident,

The Southern Marin Fire Protection District is establishing a shaded fuel break by means of a forest health restoration project. This project is in partnership with the Homestead Valley Land Trust, Marin County Parks, and the National Park Service. This shaded fuel break will reduce flammable vegetation within 100ft - 150ft from homes.

The scope of the project is to remove non-native vegetation such as broom, eucalyptus tree debris and smaller eucalyptus trees and other non-natives within this described zone above. Additional work will also include limbing up trees, thinning out brush, vines and removing dead and down vegetation.

The purpose of the Tamalpais Valley/Homestead shaded Fuel Break is to establish and maintain a defensible space zone along the perimeter of the Tamalpais Valley and Homestead residential hillside communities in the high fire severity zones. These communities are located along steep slopes, where a wildfire could rapidly escalate. By creating a shaded fuel break, the project would extend evacuation times for the community, slow fire intensity, and provide fire-fighters better access to the fire's edge if a wildfire were to occur.

Work will be starting in January, 2023. This project will go a long way to providing a higher level of safety to this area and for a healthier forest. Please contact the Southern Marin Fire Protection District if you have any questions (415) 388-8182 or for more information regarding the project go to smfd.org

