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Committed to Our Community

Working to ensure our homes and properties are safe from wildfires

assen Fire Safe Council, Inc. (LFSC) was established in 2002 as a 501(c)(3) public benefit nonprofit to mitigate the effects of wildfire and educate the public on wildfire preparedness. To date, LFSC has implemented over 90,000 acres of hazardous fuel reduction and forest health treatments across public and private lands in Lassen, Plumas, Modoc, Shasta, and Siskiyou Counties. In Lassen County, LFSC provides support to 12 NFPA recognized Firewise communities, is the California Fire Safe Council County Coordinator and is the



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lead organization for the Community Wildfire Protection Plan.

Since its inception, LFSC has been focused primarily on landscape level fuels reduction, reforestation, and forest health projects, which makes it unique for a Firesafe council. 8,945 acres of hazardous fuels reduction and forest health treatments were accomplished in 2023 alone. Current LFSC projects are funded by CalFire, Sierra Nevada Conservancy, US Forest Service, and the California Fire Safe Council.

In 2022, LFSC reorganized under a new management team and hired additional staff to increase its capacity. As part of the reorganization, LFSC committed to continuing the landscape

level projects across Northeaste

Northeastern California while also pursuing smaller projects in and around communities within the Wildland Urban Interface. LFSC recognizes the incredible work of its employees, as the organization's success would not be possible without their dedication and sacrifice. Cade Mohler, Managing

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Director, is a Registered Professional Forester with years of forestry management experience. Projects Coordinator Kyle Herron is a reforestation specialist and an ISA Certified Arborist. Projects Support Specialist Chastity Arnett brings extensive administrative knowledge for financial tracking and administration of our grant projects. Selina Topete is both the Office Manager and the

Clerk of the Board, keeping the organization organized. Wildfire Resiliency Coordinator Hailey Hanna brings defensible space training and wildland firefighter experience to better meet the needs of the communities we serve.

> In 2023, LFSC established a Lassen Countywide Defensible Space program to assist vulnerable populations in high or very high fire hazard severity zones. The program includes no cost county wide property assessments, homeowner education, and defensible space treatments of eligible

properties. Landowner signups are open on the LFSC website.

In 2024, Lassen Fire Safe Council will roll out a community project fund that will be used to respond to urgent community wildfire mitigation needs. Community groups, volunteer fire departments, Firewise communities, or other interested parties, governments, or organizations that have an urgent need are encouraged to contact Lassen Fire Safe Council through its website, phone, or email to let us know about your needs.

Interested in the work LFSC does and want to learn more? Visit our website at www.lassenfiresafecouncil.org or attend our monthly public meetings, the third Wednesday of every month at 5:30 pm, Susan River Fire District Fire Hall, 705-145 US 395, Susanville CA 96130.

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