

Eastern Sierra Climate & Communities Resilience Project:

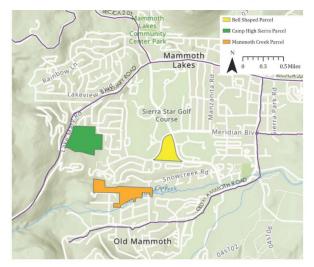
SUMMER 2023 TOWN PARCELS FUELS REDUCTION



ABOUT THE ESCCRP

The Eastern Sierra Climate & Communities Resilience Project (ESCCRP), also known as the "Mammoth Donut Project" is a collaborative landscape-scale forest restoration project aiming to reduce the risk of high severity wildfire and to restore resilience to 58,000 acres in the Inyo National Forest (INF) and undeveloped, non-federal, parcels within the Town of Mammoth Lakes (TOML) municipal boundary.

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The Mono County and Town of Mammoth Lakes Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan which includes the Mono County Community Wildfire Protection Plan identifies hazards and risks associated with wildland fire in proximity to TOML and identifies areas of highest concern.

Through CALFIRE Forest Health Grant Program funding and in partnership with TOML, Mammoth Lakes Fire Department, City of Los Angeles, and Mammoth Mountain Ski Area, Whitebark Institute will be conducting fuels reduction on three parcels within Mammoth Lakes that were identified as high to very high fire risk to wildfire: Bell-shaped Parcel, Camp High Sierra, and Mammoth Creek Parcels.

The treatments for these parcels were developed by a Registered Professional Forester and will be reviewed by CAL FIRE specialists, Regional Water Quality Control Board, and California Department of Wildlife through the CAL FIRE process called the Timber Harvest Plan (THP) to comply with the Forest Practice Act. The THP is a document that outlines what trees a private landowner will remove, how the trees will be removed, and the steps that will be taken to prevent damage to the environment. These treatments aim to reduce immediate fuel loading and restore forest health.

TREATMENTS

Removal of live, dead, and infested trees with mechanical equipment to increase stand vigor and reduce future tree mortality induced by tree competition for water. Left untreated, the mortality in these parcels will likely continue to propagate from pests and pathogens posing a continued fire threat to the community.

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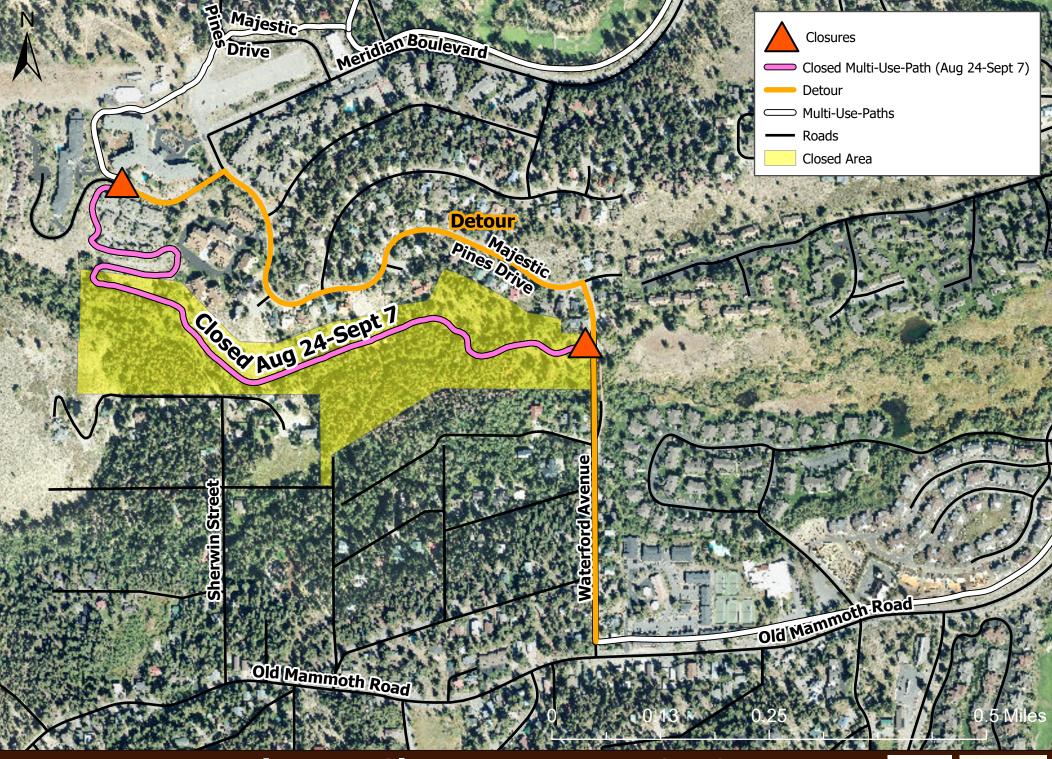
Logs will be removed from site upon project completion. Slash material (limbs and branches) will be chipped and remain on site for soil stabilization.

PROJECT TIMING

Treatments are planned for summer 2023, beginning as early as August. It is anticipated that total work time to complete these parcels is approximately three months and will be completed fall 2023.







Phase 1 Closure Map Aug 24-Sept 7









