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### **CAL FIRE Awards \$43 million in Local Fire Prevention Grants** Projects protect communities, reduce fire threat and greenhouse gases

**Sacramento** – As California continues to take measures to prevent damaging wildfires, the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) announced that over \$43 million would be awarded to fund 66 local fire prevention projects across the State. “As our crews are busy right now performing fuel reduction work and conducting defensible space inspections, funding these projects will add significant fire prevention efforts to combat California’s severe fire risk,” said Chief Thomas Porter, CAL FIRE director and California’s state forester.

The Fire Prevention Grants will enable local organizations like fire safe councils, to implement activities that address the risk of wildfire and reduce wildfire potential to communities. Funded activities include fuel reduction, wildfire planning, and fire prevention education. These projects all meet the goals and objectives of California’s Strategic Fire Plan adopted in 2018, as well as the recommendations of CAL FIRE’s “Community Wildfire Prevention & Mitigation Report” to Governor Gavin Newsom submitted in April 2019.

Over \$33 million of the funds will be provided by the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund for California Climate Investments (CCI), with an additional \$10 million coming from funding from CAL FIRE’s Community Wildfire Prevention Program. CCI is a statewide program that puts billions of Cap-and-Trade dollars to work reducing greenhouse gas emissions, strengthening the economy, and improving public health and the environment-particularly in disadvantaged communities.

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