

# Nevada County Fire and Forestry



## Program Highlights 2019–20

- 350 Nevada County residents attended 9 Forestry and Fire educational events and increased their knowledge of fire-resistant homes and natural areas. More than 90% stated their intention to implement new fire preparations.
- 35 residents and 15 natural resource professionals attended two prescribed-fire workshops resulting in 8 training burns and Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) “EQIP” funding for prescribed fire preparation in Nevada County.
- Over \$160,000 in competitive grant funds supported forestry and fire programs in 2019-20.
- Fire prevention and recovery information reached over 10,000 area residents through the Living with Fire website.

The goal of the Nevada County Forestry and Fire Program is to improve the fire resilience of Nevada County communities through public outreach and education on firesafe practices, fire prevention and recovery. It aims to connect local professionals and residents to the latest science and land management techniques. The programs were funded by \$160,000 in competitive grant funding in 2019-20.

Working with a variety of community partners, including the Nevada County Office of Emergency Services, the Fire Safe Council of Nevada County, Cal Fire, USDA Rural Development, the Natural Resources Conservation Services, the Nevada County Resources Conservation District, the Insurance Institute for Business and Home Safety, Registered Professional Foresters, and PG&E, the UCCE forestry and fire program delivers workshops on forest health, fire prevention, and fire preparation. Outreach includes educational presentations at public meetings; and individual consultations with landowners and professionals.



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