

BID PROSPECTUS

Project Objective

The objective of this prescription is to reduce hazardous fuel loading and facilitate the long-term recovery of a private parcel impacted by a high-severity wildfire several years ago. The wildfire resulted in extensive mortality of overstory and understory vegetation, creating significant accumulations of dead woody material and dense regenerating brush. These conditions increase the risk of future high-intensity wildfire, impede access and limit the establishment and growth of desirable vegetation.

The proposed treatment is designed to reduce hazardous fuels while maintaining site productivity, minimizing soil disturbance, and promoting the development of a more resilient ecosystem.

Recommended Treatment

Mechanical and manual treatments shall be implemented to reduce hazardous fuel accumulations. Mechanical operations are anticipated to utilize a mid-sized excavator equipped with a mastication head to masticate excessive brush, small trees, and dead woody vegetation where terrain and site conditions allow. Different masticators may also be used singularly or in conjunction if desired conditions can be met. Additional equipment may be used, as necessary, to move, consolidate, or reposition fallen dead timber to facilitate treatment operations and improve site access.

Areas inaccessible to mechanical equipment, or locations where equipment operations would cause unacceptable resource impacts, shall be treated using hand crews. Hand treatments may include cutting, limbing, lopping, scattering, or piling of vegetation to achieve desired fuel reduction objectives.

Larger diameter hardwoods and selected fire-killed trees will be felled and piled in a safe location with limbs and tops masticated to the extent feasible. Alternatively, these materials may be consolidated into piles at locations designated by the Resource Conservation District (RCD) to facilitate future disposal or burning by landowners or RCD.

Desired Completed Conditions

Upon completion, the project area will exhibit substantially reduced hazardous fuel loading, improved access for owners and fire personnel, and increased resilience to future wildfire. Reduction of excessive post-fire vegetation and dead woody material will improve growing conditions for desirable native vegetation while reducing wildfire intensity and supporting long-term recovery. The completed treatments are intended to create a safer, healthier, and more manageable vegetative stand.

Scope of Work:

Provide equipment and personnel to Masticate approximately 14-20 acre property on Thunder

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Mountain rd. in Milford. Larger diameter dead trees will be hand fell and bucked into 16' lengths and decked in a location approved by landowner. Fenceline will be flagged and protected. If work is preformed during fire season a dedicated Firewatch will be onsite during operations and patrol for 2 hours after shutdown. In areas where the vegetation has regrown paths will be masticated to access the dead material cleaning up the existing fire damage and improving future fire risk. The branches from the larger trees will be masticated if they are too large to masticate, they will be piled in a good opening away from live trees. Piles will be no larger then 10x10 and we expect there to be fewer than 3 piles of material that won't masticate.

Payment: Contractors may submit invoices no more frequently than once per month. Payment will be made within 60 days of invoice receipt or upon project completion, whichever occurs later, provided that all work has been reviewed and approved by HLVRCD and/or RPF.

Location: The project is located off highway 395 near Milford and Thunder Mountain Road

Bid Tour Date : Reach out to Catherine Wooster to coordinate a site visit, please email postfire@honeylakevalleyrcd.us or call 530-260-642.

Bids : Emailed or hand delivered bids for contractor services will be received at any time and preferably no later than **September, 21st 2026** at 5 pm. HLVRCD will not accept bids past this deadline. Bids should state the cost per acre to complete the project. A bid form is attached to this prospectus for your convenience. Preferred bid delivery is by email (.pdf file) to postfire@honeylakevalleyrcd.us. Please confirm that your bid has been received either prior to or after transmission. If you need any clarification, please contact Catherine Wooster at 530-260-6642. HLVRCD reserves the right to reject any or all bids for any reason whatsoever.

Landowners: Project work is to be completed on lands owned by Joan Donovan

Forest Manager: Eric Wertz, an independent consulting forester and RPF No. 2854, represents the landowner. Should you have any questions, please contact him at 530-356-5643.

Contract: Following bid acceptance, a Logging Contract will be finalized with individual contracts for each ownership. Basic contractual obligations will follow the draft contract which will be provided at the Contractor's Tour, via email, and is included with the bid documents. The contract shall terminate no later than Jan 31, 2027.

Timeline: The preferred date for project work to begin is no later than September 18, 2026 and work must be completed by January 31, 2027.



Other Important Contract Provisions :

- The acreage identified is only an estimate of the gross area including roads and open areas, and all bidders must make their own assessment as to whether it is accurate or not based upon ground inspections.
- You must be able to provide current evidence of Worker's Compensation, Property Damage and Liability Insurance coverage with coverage no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence, and a total coverage of not less than \$2,000,000 prior to the start of the project.
- You are responsible for carefully reading all information in this Bid Prospectus and accompanying Draft Contract prior to submitting your bid.
- You will be required to comply with all Federal, State and Local laws and regulations including but not limited to any provisions regarding treatment of and payment of employees and/or subcontractors.
- This is a non-smoking job site.
- You are required to demonstrate that your equipment has been sanitized and is weed-free.
- Multiple factors will be used in selecting the successful bidder including, but not limited to, price, services offered, experience, research with respect to past projects and knowledge of your work by other foresters/landowners, potential start date, capacity to complete the job timely, past violations of the Forest Practices Act. etc. The lowest price bid will not necessarily be the selected Contractor.

Please fill out this form and submit to Catherine Wooster, postfire@honeylakevalleyrcd.us, 520-260-6642, or mail to 708-770 Sunnyside Road, Janesville, CA 96114
Deadline: September 21th, 2026

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PROJECT: Post Fire Restoration Project

OWNER(S): Joan Donovan

This bid is from

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Information: _____

LTO #: _____

1. Masticate (+/- 14-20 acres) Price per acre \$ _____
(Price per acre should incorporate all costs to complete the project)(No guarantee is made by landowner or its RPF of the acreage listed above)
2. Earliest possible start date: _____
3. Provide the name, addresses and telephone numbers of subcontractors that you will be using and identify what they will be providing (you do not need to identify trucks and trailers that will be used for hauling chips):
4. List the make, model, and year of equipment that you own that will be used on the jobs
5. List the make, model and year of all equipment that your subcontractors own that will be used on the jobs. Also identify which subcontractor owns the equipment (You do not need to identify trucks and trailers that will be used for hauling chips):

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6. Provide name, address and telephone number of your insurance carrier and the amounts and types of coverage that you carry:

7. Other pertinent information bidder may wish to provide:

Signature: _____
Date: _____
Printed Name: _____
Title: _____