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Oak Creek Park Broadcast Burn Project - Smoke Visible

PARADISE, Calif. (November 9, 2026) - We are grateful that conditions may allow for implementation of a broadcast burn project for community safety in the Town of Paradise. The project will cover roughly **17 acres** within an area that burned at high severity in the 2018 Camp Fire, targeting dense post-fire understory regeneration to reduce hazardous fuel loads and restore healthy fire ecology. Originally planned for Monday, November 9, the burn was postponed after the Butte County Air Quality Management District (BCAQMD) canceled all burns due to forecasted wind patterns that wouldn't support smoke dispersal. The burn is now rescheduled for **Wednesday, November 11**, with an **11:00 a.m**. crew briefing and ignitions to follow pending BCAQMD approval.

These carefully planned burns will only take place if favorable conditions are present, and a dedicated fire crew will be onsite and diligently monitoring at all times to ensure public and environmental safety. All necessary permits and approvals have been obtained from local and state agencies to ensure compliance with safety, environmental, and air quality requirements. The project is being conducted in close coordination with regulatory partners and fire professionals. **Residents in the Town of Paradise, Magalia and Butte Valley should anticipate visible smoke.** Stay tuned for updates and confirmation as conditions are finalized.

This project is managed by the Butte County Fire Safe Council with burning implemented by the Terra Fuego Resource Foundation and made possible through funding from the Sierra Nevada Conservancy, an agency of the State of California, through the California Budget Act of 2021 (Section 77), Wildfire Recovery and Forest Resilience. Thank you for supporting prescribed fire as we work to maintain safer, healthier, and more resilient landscapes for our communities.

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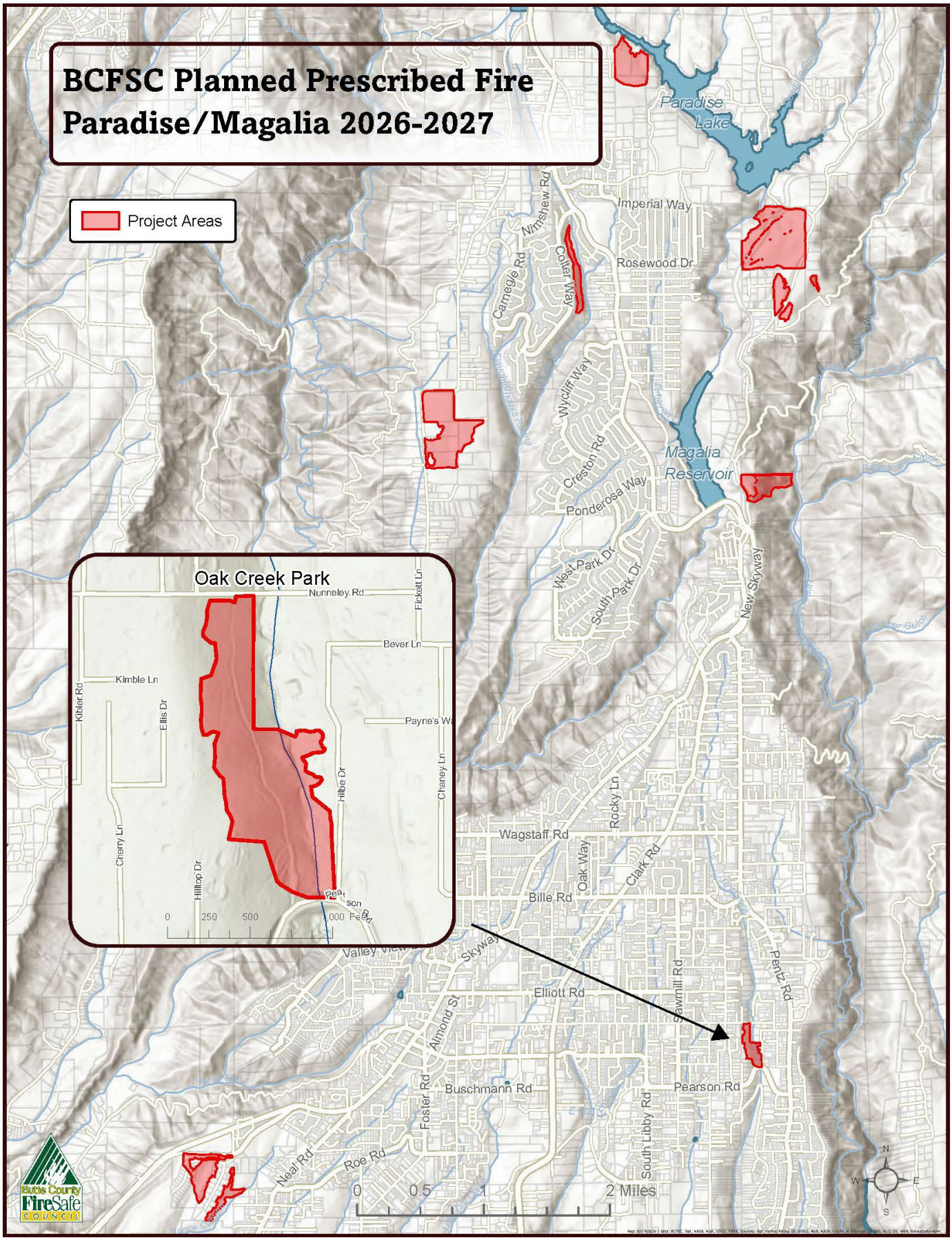
About Butte County Fire Safe Council: *The Butte County Fire Safe Council is a grassroots nonprofit organization that implements a variety of fuels reduction and forest health projects in operation around Butte County including Forbestown, Berry Creek, Forest Ranch, Cohasset, Paradise, Big Chico Creek Canyon, and Oroville Foothills. More information can be found on BCFSC's website buttefiresafe.net, on social media @buttefiresafe or by calling our office at (530) 877-0984.*


BCFSC Planned Prescribed Fire
Paradise/Magalia 2026-2027
Project Areas
Oak Creek Park
Paradise Lake
Magalia Reservoir
Imperial Way
Rosewood Dr
Nimshew Rd
Carnegie Rd
Colter Way
Wycliff Way
Creston Rd
Ponderosa Way
West Park Dr
South Park Dr
New Skyway
Wagstaff Rd
Rocky Ln
Oak Way
Clark Rd
Bille Rd
Elliott Rd
Pentz Rd
Pearson Rd
Buschmann Rd
Almond St
Foster Rd
South Libby Rd
Neal Rd
Roe Rd
Skyway
Nunneley Rd
Bever Ln
Kimble Ln
Kibler Rd
Ellis Dr
Cherry Ln
Hilltop Dr
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