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Rockerfeller Rd. Mechanical Pile Burn Project - Smoke Visible

BERRY CREEK, Calif. (November 13, 2026) - We are grateful that conditions may allow for implementation of a mechanical pile burn project for community safety in Berry Creek. This project will cover a total of **76 acres** with a focus on burning forest understory piles to reduce hazardous fuels and restore healthy fire ecology. Ignitions are scheduled to begin today, **November 13**, and will last through the weekend.

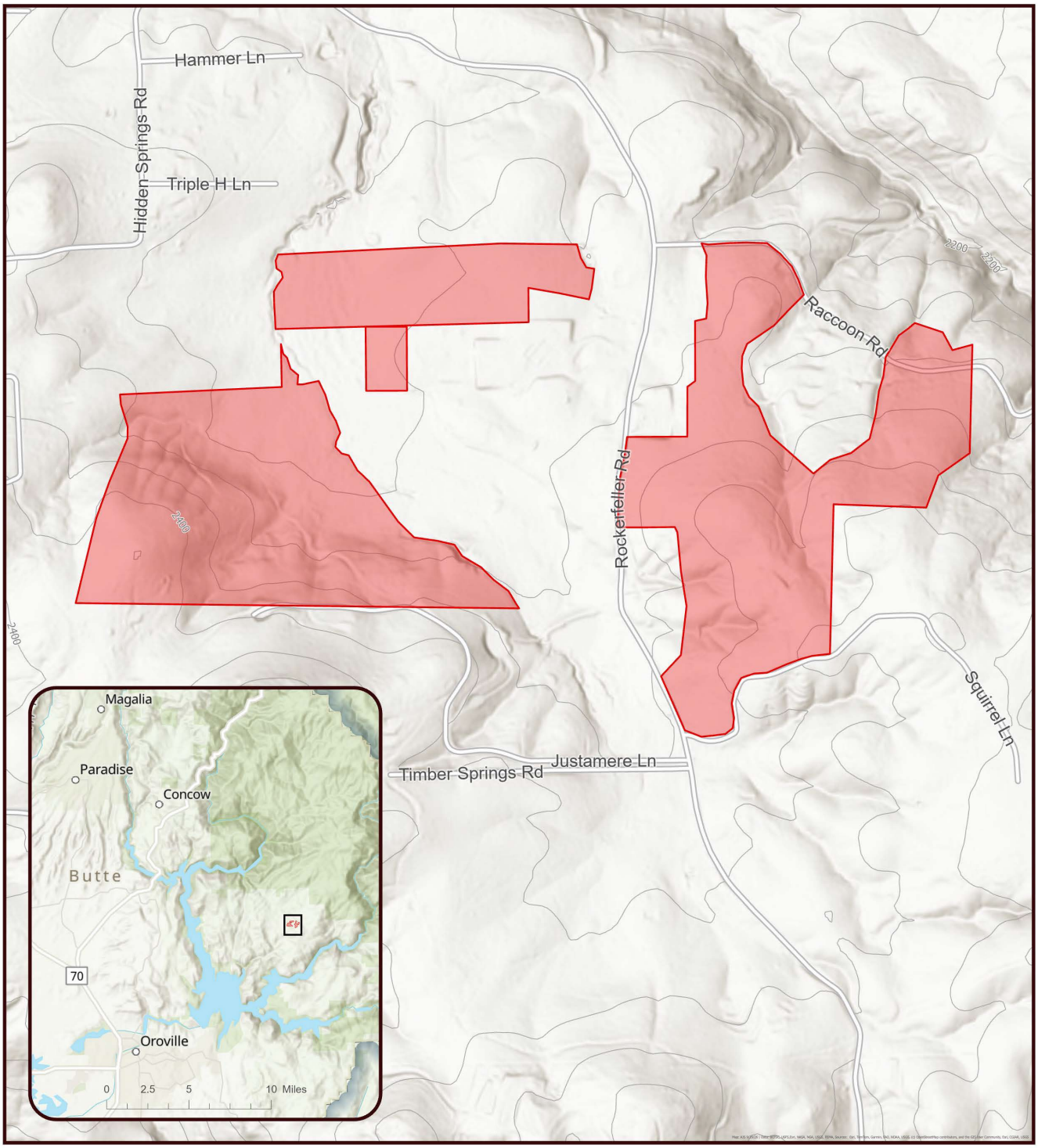
These carefully planned burns will only take place if favorable conditions are present, and a dedicated fire crew will be onsite and diligently monitoring at all times to ensure public and environmental safety. All necessary permits and approvals have been obtained from local and state agencies to ensure compliance with safety, environmental, and air quality requirements. The project is being conducted in close coordination with regulatory partners and fire professionals. **Residents in Berry Creek should anticipate visible smoke.** Light, short-lived smoke is likely along Rockerfeller Rd., Raccoon Rd., Timber Springs Rd., and Justamere Ln. 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 Hard Rock and Iron Canyon and made possible through funding from the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection's Wildfire Prevention Grants Program as part of the California Climate Investments Program. Thank you for supporting prescribed fire as we work to maintain safer, healthier, and more resilient landscapes for our communities.

Funding for this project was provided by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection's Forest Health Program, as part of California Climate Investments. California Climate Investments, a statewide program that puts billions of Cap-and-Invest dollars to work reducing GHG emissions, strengthening the economy, and improving public health and the environment - particularly in disadvantaged communities. The Cap-and-Invest program also creates a financial incentive for industries to invest in clean technologies and develop innovative ways to reduce pollution. California Climate Investments projects include affordable housing, renewable energy, public transportation, zero-emission vehicles, environmental restoration, more sustainable agriculture, recycling, and much more. At least 35 percent of these investments are located within and benefiting residents of disadvantaged communities, low-income communities, and low-income households across California. For more information, visit the California Climate Investments website at: www.caclimateinvestments.ca.gov.

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.*

Rockerfeller Road - Pile Burning



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Pile Burning - 76 Acres

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