Sierra Nevada Conservancy-Progress Report

Sierra Nevada Conservancy Grant Program
Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control
River and Coastal Protection Act of 2008 (Proposition 84)

Grantee Name: **Highway 108 Fire Safe Council**

Project title: **Cattle Drive Trail Shaded Fuel Break P-3**

SNC Reference Number: **70325** **Submittal Date:** ~~8/30/2011~~ 02/32012

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Check one:

__X__ **6-Month Progress Report**
__X__ **Final Report**

6-Month Progress Reports should reflect the previous six months. **Final Reports** should reflect the entire grant period.

A. Progress Report Summary:
Aggressive "Hand Crew" work has taken place on this SFB. Work starts on each Road Side to reduce the threat of Vehicle Fires igniting vegetation.
Then the crews continue their work for an additional 150-200 feet.
See photos for work accomplished.

B. Deliverables or Outcomes completed during this Reporting Period or Milestones Achieved:
Several meetings on site were accomplished with BLM Fire Management Officials including BLM Botanist and Cultural Resource persons.

CAL FIRE Unit Foresters provide Technical Assistance as needed.

Inpromtu meetings happen on a regular basis with interested and concerned Local land owners. All are very much in favor of work completed

B. **Challenges or Opportunities Encountered:**
During Peak Fire Season CAL FIRE Crews are not available to Continue work on this Fuel Break.

C. Unanticipated Successes Achieved:
None at this time

D. Compare Actual Costs to Budgeted Costs: (Please refer to your grant agreement to list your deliverables/budget categories and budgeted costs compared to actual costs incurred during this reporting period in the table below.)

PROJECT BUDGET CATEGORIES	Budgeted SNC Dollars	Actual Dollars
Hand Crews	30,255.00	**30,068.00**
Coordinator	2,865.00	**2,825.00**
Admin Fee	3,594.00	**3,594.00**
Mastication	11,605.00	**11,605.00**
Mob & Supplies	**200.00**	**60.32**
GRAND TOTAL	**48,519.00**	**48,152.32**

F. Do you have information to report on the project-specific Performance Measures for your project? (If so, please list the Performance Measures below and describe your progress.)
None at this time

See Final Report Section

G. Were there any other relevant materials produced under the terms of this Agreement that are not a part of the budgeted deliverables? If so, please attach copies. (Include digital photos, maps, media coverage of project, or other work products.)
Shaded Fuels Breaks produce no materials.
Project photos attached to this report

H. Next Steps: (Work anticipated in the next 6 months, including location and timing of any scheduled events related to the project.)

Continue work with CAL FIRE Crews until Project end date.

Please Complete this Section for FINAL Report ONLY

Capacity-Building Results and Collaboration and Cooperation with Stakeholders:
(What partnerships did you initiate or strengthen as a result of this project? How did they affect the project outcome? If applicable, how did this grant increase your organization's capacity? What is your plan to sustain this increase?)

This Project increased our knowledge of Fuel Reduction in Steep Terrain.
And to take into consideration how to deal with Rare & Endangered Plants
In the Project Area.

Description of Project Accomplishments:

1. **Most Significant Accomplishment**
   Describe in one concise, well-written paragraph, the most significant accomplishment that resulted from this grant.

   Reducing the severe Fire Hazard in Very Steep Terrain.

2. **WOW Factor**
   If applicable, please describe anything that happened as a result of the project or during the project that is particularly impressive.

   Protecting Rare & Sensitive Plants

3. **Design and Implementation**
   When considering the design and implementation of this project, what lessons did you learn that might help other grantees implement similar work?

   Make your plan flexible to accommodate unknown or changing conditions.

4. **Indirect Impact**
   Please describe any indirect benefits of the project such as information that has been developed as a result of the project is being used by several other organizations to improve decision-making, or a conservation easement funded by this grant that encouraged other landowners in the area to have conservation easements on their property.

   Help Reduce Icy Conditions on Public Roads by removing vegetation on roadsides.

5. **Collaboration and Conflict Resolution**
   If you worked in collaboration or cooperation with other organizations or institutions, describe those arrangements and their importance to the project. Also, describe if you encountered conflict in the project and how you dealt with it, or if there was conflict avoided as a result of the project.

   Having Land Owners talk to each other about the benefits of the project.

6. **Capacity-Building**
   SNC is interested in both the capacity of your organization, as well as local and regional capacity. Please describe the overall health of your organization including

areas in need of assistance. SNC is interested in the strength and involvement of your board, significant changes to your staff, size and involvement of membership. In addition, describe how your project improved capabilities of partners, or the larger community.

This project helped educate other members of the H108 FSC on how to manage Projects.

7. **Challenges**
Did the project face internal or external challenges? How were they addressed? Describe each challenge and any actions that you took to address it. Was there something that SNC did or could have done to assist you? Did you have to change any of your key objectives in response to conditions "on the ground"?

Due to Steep Terrain & special conditions of the NEPA document, we changed the Method of treatment to Hand Crew instead of Mechanical.

8. **Photographs**
Grantees are strongly encouraged to submit photos, slides or digital images whenever possible. These images will be used for SNC publications such as annual reports or on the website. Please make sure you clearly identify location, activity, and your project with each submitted image. Images will be credited to the submitting organization, unless specified otherwise.

More Photos attached

9. **Post Grant Plans**
What are the post-grant plans for the project if it does not conclude with the grant? Include a description of the following (if applicable): (1) Changes in operations or scope; (2) Replicaton or use of findings; (3) Names of other organizations you expect to involve; (4) Plans to support the project financially, and; (5) Communication plans?

Local land owners were encouraged to treat their land with herbicides.

10. **Post Grant Contact**
Who can be contacted a few years from now to follow up on the project? Please provide name and contact information.

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SNC-approved Performance Measures: (Please list each Performance Measure for your Project, as identified in your Grant Agreement, and the results/outcomes.)

1/ Contractor Hired to complete work
2/ Hand Crews to remove Hazardous Fuel/Vegitation.
3/ Progress submitted
4/ Treated fuel has been piled
5/ Waiting for BLM Burn Permit
6/ CAL FIRE & BLM have inspected the Project Area
7/ Acres treated will be submitted under seperate cover as soon as weather permits the measurement of the Project Area.

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Project Reporting Guidelines

Progress Reports are required periodically throughout the term of the Grant Agreement (Refer to Exhibit B of the Grant Agreement). These reports will allow you and the Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) to see the degree to which the project is on track and achieving your projected outcomes. Your Progress Reports will further provide the SNC with information that will help us to explain your work to the Board Members and various other audiences. Timing of Progress Reports is specified in the Project Schedule included in Exhibit A of the Grant Agreement, but generally every 6 months until completion of the project.

A Progress Reporting Form is provided to Grantees on the SNC Website. **Six-month Progress Reports** should reflect the previous 6-month period; **Final Reports** should address each question for the entire grant period – looking at the project as a whole.

The form specifies the items you will need to report on. For the Six-Month Interim Report these include, but are not limited to: *A Progress Report Summary of work completed, Deliverables or Outcomes Completed, Challenges or Opportunities Encountered, Unanticipated Successes Achieved, Actual Costs compared to Budgeted Costs, Any Additional Relevant Materials Produced, and Next Steps.*

The Final Report will include additional information, such as**:** *Resources Leveraged, Capacity-Building Results and Collaboration and Cooperation with Stakeholders, a Description of Project Accomplishments, and SNC Approved Performance Measures.*

Please make sure that you submit complete reports by the dates requested in your Grant Agreement.

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