

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
SIERRA NEVADA CONSERVANCY**

**Sierra Nevada Conservancy Grant Program Safe Drinking Water,
Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and
Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84)**

Applicant: U.S. Forest Service, Tahoe National Forest, Pacific Ranger District

Project Title: Bloody Run Subwatershed Forest Health Improvement Project

Subregion: Central

County: Nevada, Sierra

SNC Funding: \$74,326.53

Total Project Cost: \$176,558.68

Application Number: 503

Final Score: 78.25

PROJECT SCOPE

This project is located on the Tahoe National Forest northeast of Nevada City and east of Malakoff Diggins State Park, within the South Yuba River watershed. The project will complete necessary resource surveys and preparation of a NEPA environmental analysis to implement vegetative treatments on approximately 851 acres of National Forest System (NFS) lands.

Project goals include reduction of wildfire risk on 851 acres, improved forest health through thinning and other fuel reduction activities, improved habitat conditions, and treatments to eliminate Scotchbroom on 10 acres. An additional goal is to improve the resilience of the forest so it is better adapted to impacts from predicted climate change. Forest health will be promoted by improving the health of trees by thinning, fuel reduction, invasive weed removal, and selection of hardwoods and other native trees as leave trees.

PROJECT SCHEDULE

DETAILED PROJECT DELIVERABLES	TIMELINE
Project initiation letter	August 2012
Interdisciplinary team (IDT) meeting to develop draft project description and proposed action.	September 2012
Public Scoping	November 2012
Publish project in Statement of Proposed Actions (SOPA)	November 2012

IDT meeting to go over scoping comments and develop alternatives	December 2012
Archaeology surveys	November 2012
Completion of biological evaluations for wildlife and rare plants	January 2013
Completion of weed risk assessment	January 2013
IDT meeting to review proposed mitigations including best management practices	March 2013
Publish EA	April 2013
Final decision	May 2013
Six month progress reports (1)	January 2013
Final Report/Final Payment Request	May 2013

PROJECT COSTS

PROJECT BUDGET CATEGORIES	TOTAL SNC FUNDING
Direct*	
Project Management/Staff- NEPA	\$40,664.38
Project Management/Staff- Layout/Cruise and Marking	\$31,887.15
Monitoring- Bio/Arch/Hydro	\$1,775.00
Administrative***	
GRAND TOTAL	\$74,326.53

* Direct: Direct costs are expenses necessary to acquire, construct, or to adapt property to a new or different use, or to improve property including land, buildings and equipment. The property/expense must have a useful life longer than one year.

*** Administrative: Expenses associated with the administration of a project and may not exceed 15 percent of the total SNC grant request for direct and indirect costs

PROJECT LETTERS SUPPORT/OPPOSITION

N/A

PROJECT PERFORMANCE MEASURES

There are four Performance Measures common to all grants. In addition, grantees are required to include between one and three project-specific measures. Performance Measures listed here represent those proposed by applicants and may be modified through further discussion with SNC staff.

- Linear Feet of Stream Bank Protected
- Acres of Land Improved or Restored
- Number of Collaboratively Developed Plans and Assessments