

Butte firebreak grants get final OK

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LONE PINE — The Sierra Nevada Conservancy today approved \$271,000 in grant funding for the Butte County Fire Safe Council to help prevent wildfires.

The projects approved for funding include a program in Little Butte Creek forest, which calls for the removal of excess vegetation to preserve the "natural mosaic" of the area. That project was approved for \$84,000 of funding.

The other project, the Forbestown Fuel Break, calls for the removal of brush near Feather Falls, Forbestown and Brownsville. That project was approved for \$187,000 of funding.

The conservancy gave out a total of \$4.6 million in grant funding to preserve local forests statewide.