



Amador Fire Safe Council

Amador County, California

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Projects of Note

Private Roads - Ingress/Egress Vegetation Clearing

The Amador Fire Safe Council is working with our contractor, as well as local Firewise communities, to finish the first round of Ingress/Egress projects on private roads throughout Amador County. At the start of the year, we had 13 projects submitted and approved. As of this month, half of those projects have been completed, including Running Gold, Surrey Junction, Old Giannini Ranch Road, Oak Hill Lane, Sandra Lane, and Gold Creek Trail. The winter weather Amador County experienced this year took its toll on our community, creating an abundance of clean up for the residents and local contractors alike. Unfortunately, the snowfall and heavy rains were also the cause of late project starts. The AFSC remains full steam ahead in implementing and completing the current group of private road projects, with more to come for 2023.

Project Specifics

Further information regarding current projects is available in the Board Packets located on our website, within the Coordinators Report. Board Packets are provided every month for our monthly Board Meetings. You may request a packet be emailed every month by signing up for our mailing lists on our website.

Volcano Communications Fuel Break Maintenance

Since 2002, Volcano Communications has maintained a shaded fuel break around its Pine Grove corporate offices and Central Office facilities. They maintain that existing fuel break every 3-5 years to insure new growth does not become a hazard. With the extreme 2023 rains and snow, a large amount of new vegetation growth is anticipated in that fuel break and they are taking steps to mitigate that growth. In addition, they are enlarging the fuel break to add additional protection to property owned by Volcano Communications to further protect our facilities, as well as portions of the town of Pine Grove. Volcano Communications is a strong supporter of the Amador Fire Safe Council and participates in its programs as well as supporting its outreach efforts.

Firewise

As most of you know, the Firewise USA program has grown immensely within our county, and continues to do so every day. The benefit to participating in this program is to not only make individual neighborhoods safer from the threat of fire, but the county as a whole. The AFSC strongly encourages Amador County residents to learn about the Firewise program and to reach out with any questions or requests for assistance in creating Firewise communities. (cont.)

