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## 2023 – 2024 Defensible Space Fuel Reduction Project Funding

# Request to Participate

The Diablo Fires Safe Council (DFSC) is sponsoring defensible space fuel reduction projects for 2022 – 2023. Cost-share assistance of up to \$5,000 per project is available to groups or groups of individuals to hire contractors to reduce fuel loads and create defensible space.

DFSC may assist Alameda County or Contra Costa County property owners with vegetation management projects that will lead to compliance with their local fire department’s defensible space requirements in areas designated as Priority Hazard Zones.

Contractors will be hired directly by property owners with DFSC funds augmenting private property owner contributions.

Contractors and homeowners will not contract directly with the Diablo Fire Safe Council. DFSC will pay directly to the contractors a portion of project costs up to \$5,000 per project.

*To have your project considered for funding please complete the following information:*

1. Designated Project Coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (Daytime) \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening) \_\_\_\_\_ (Cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Neighborhood/ Street Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Address: \_\_\_\_\_ APN (if no address): \_\_\_\_\_

3. Number of households or volunteers involved (minimum 5): \_\_\_\_\_

Names and address of household or volunteers involved (attach an additional sheet if necessary):

1) \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_

3) \_\_\_\_\_

4) \_\_\_\_\_

5) \_\_\_\_\_

6) \_\_\_\_\_

7) \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about our program? \_\_\_\_\_ Fire Department \_\_\_\_\_ Word of mouth

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a part of a recognized NFPA Firewise Community Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ In progress \_\_\_\_\_

*Diablo Fire Safe Council is not obligated to provide services and is not liable for its failure to provide services, nor for the performances of services under this program.*

4. Describe your project and what you plan to do to achieve Defensible Space within 100 feet of your homes, anticipated tasks and timeframe (attach an additional sheet if necessary):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Chipping of homeowner cut material                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Green waste removal of homeowner cut material |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weed whacking/ mowing (as part of a larger project)* | <input type="checkbox"/> Needle/ leaf removal                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tree thinning (cutting of small trees)*              | <input type="checkbox"/> Brush cutting*                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tree "limbing up"*                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Grazing*                                      |

*\*Note: Your project may be located where there are federally protected species or other environmental concerns. Ground disturbing projects as indicated by \* will require environmental review by DFSC and the funding agency. Best management practices will need to be incorporated into all ground disturbing fuel reduction work.*

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5. Briefly describe the services or funding your neighborhood can provide. Services may include: time spent organizing your neighbors for a work-day, follow-up weed control, tools or supplies needed for the project. If you are providing matching funds, indicate amount.

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6. Briefly describe how your project will help protect your neighborhood from wildfire.

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I certify this information to be true and correct and that the information provided is subject to verification. If my group is selected, we agree to work with Diablo Fire Safe Council to further define the scope of the project. We understand that we will be responsible for hiring a contractor for the work.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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