

Request for Proposals

Salmon River Eddy Gulch LSR Mastication Project

Klamath National Forest, California

QVIR Background:

The Quartz Valley Indian Reservation (QVIR) is a sovereign, self-governing federally recognized Tribe. The goals of the Tribe focuses on protecting the Scott River, reclaiming tribal lands, promoting culture, preserving and restore our common bonds, tribal traditions and ancestral rights, and secure for ourselves and our descendants the power to exercise the inherent rights of self-government.

Project Background:

QVIR is working in partnership with the Klamath National Forest to implement community wildfire protection and forest resilience treatments on National Forest System Lands on the Scott River Ranger District of the KNF. The Mastication project includes approximately 270 acres of vegetation treatment for maintenance of forest stands near communities.

Statement of Work:

The QVIR is seeking a contractor or contractors to machine masticate 270 acres of brush, conifer, and hardwood trees, not designated as leave trees in accordance with the specifications described in Appendix E, Schedule of Items and Specifications. Additional work may be added via signed written amendment to the contract resulting from this solicitation but it is not guaranteed.

Pre-bid Field Tour:

Meeting Day/Time: May 22, 2026, at 10:00 AM

Meeting Location: Quartz Valley Indian Reservation Tribal Admin office, 13601 Quartz Valley Rd. Fort Jones CA 96032.

Timeline:

This Request for Proposals will close, and all proposals will be due 4:00 p.m. PST June 05, 2026, and promptly opened at 4:30 pm on the same day. QVIR anticipates being able to enter a contract with any selected bidder(s) by June 12, 2026, with a projected contract start date in June.

Proposals:

All contract related dates are estimates and subjects to change at the Quartz Valley Indian Reservations sole discretion.

I. PROJECT OVERVIEW AND REQUIREMENTS

General Specifications

Description of Work – This Request for Proposals is for machine mastication services related to the Eddy Gulch LSR Mastication project, located on the Klamath National Forest. Work on this project will include mastication treatments. Units will have specific avoidances or protection measures. Detailed maps will be provided with information for each unit specific avoidances and protections. The selected contractor(s) will be responsible for performing the following deliverables:

This vegetation treatment is for maintenance of forest stands to reduce fire danger near communities and promote forest resilience, and includes the following treatments:

- All dead conifers and hardwoods less than 10 inches DBH shall be masticated.
- Live Conifers up to 10 inches DBH with crowns ratio less than 10 percent shall be masticated.
- Live conifers up to 10 inches DBH shall be spaced to an average of 25 feet by 25 feet.
- Hardwoods up to 6 inches DBH (white oak, black oak, madrone chinquapin, alder, maple, dogwood) shall be masticated unless retained for spacing.
- Retain hardwood or clumps under 6 inches DBH where tree density is low, space retained stems to an average of 25 feet where feasible.
- All stumps from masticated material shall not exceed 8 inches in height, 4 inches preferred.
- Hardwoods greater than 6 inches DBH shall be retained and included in spacing.
- All live and dead brush 1 foot or taller shall be masticated to within 4 inches of ground where possible (maximum 8 inches) and within 12 inches of obstacles.
- Masticator shall process material ahead of travel and traverse treated material when feasible.
- Residual masticated material depth shall average 4-8 inches and shall not exceed 12 inches continuously.
- Residual masticated material shall not exceed 18 inches in length.
- Hardwood clumps shall be thinned to one stem unless thinning would damage the tree.
- Mastication work shall avoid damaging leave trees, brush near boles may be left if necessary.
- All applicable project design features (equipment exclusion zones, slope limits, coarse woody debris, watershed protections) shall be followed.

Specifications – Project work shall be accomplished in accordance with the following: Bidders shall identify in their proposals what they can supply in terms of materials, labor, equipment, supplies, supervision, quality control, and incidentals required to complete the work as described. Proposals shall be sufficient to guarantee that the selected contractor shall be able to perform all work in a safe and conscientious manner and in accordance with all industry standards.

Project Location – Located on the Scott Salmon River Ranger District on the Klamath National Forest in Siskiyou County, California. Appendix C provides maps of the project unit boundaries.

Work Schedule – The contractor will make their own work schedule that prioritizes production and progress, conforms to industry standards and accommodates potential shutdowns for fire restrictions or to protect soil, water, and wildlife resources. Work is expected to begin by the summer of 2026.

Other Project Requirements

Utilities/Work Site Conditions – In many locations there will be no or limited sanitation, water, electrical or housing services available. Bidders shall consider all relevant factors when submitting proposals for this work. Proposals should account for the need of the selected contractor to make its own arrangements for temporary facilities if required.

Insurance Requirements

Upon being notified of bid selection, Bidder agrees that it has, or will procure, and shall maintain the insurance coverage indicated below. The effective date of all coverage shall precede the start of any work.

1. State minimum workers' compensation insurance coverage for its employees, if any.
2. Broad form general liability, property damage, and automotive liability insurance in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 for bodily injury, death, or damage to property of any person and \$2,000,000 for bodily injury, death, or damage to property of more than one person. The selected Bidder shall name QVIR an Additional Named Insured and provide QVIR with a certificate of insurance, evidencing such coverages, prior to the initiation of the Scope of Services.
3. If the Scope of Services includes professional services as identified herein, Bidders also agree to provide professional errors and omissions liability insurance. Professional services for Purposes of this section include, but are not limited to performing architecture, engineering, landscape architecture, land surveying or planning, preparation and signing or stamping of drawings, maps, surveys or construction specifications, or design and development of computer software, programs or websites by the Bidder or by subcontractors on behalf of the Bidder, for which professional liability insurance would typically be required. The minimum coverage required is \$1,000,000 for each claim and \$1,000,000 annual aggregate.

Payment/Performance Security

If selected to contract with the QVIR, Bidder(s) shall post cash, a letter of credit, bond, or other financial security that is easily convertible into cash in a form acceptable to the QVIR, in its sole determination. The security will be used to ensure completion of the work required under any subsequent agreement and payment of all amounts lawfully due to all persons. All persons shall include, but not be limited to, those supplying or furnishing to the Bidder or Bidder's subcontractors with labor, laborers, materials, rental machinery, tools or equipment used or to perform the work. Bidders may incorporate required associated costs into mobilization costs or other approved expenses. Payment or Performance security will be required in the following amounts as applicable:

1. For work that is classified as construction in accordance with the Miller Act or Little Miller Act or if required per conditions of the funding source, payment and performance bonding will be required in the full amount of any Agreement. For the purposes of this Request for Proposal, construction is defined as “any contract greater than \$100,000 for the construction, alteration, or repair of any public building or public work where the federal government is the owner”; or

2. If Contractor is subcontracting 15% or more of the total contract value, or if the cost of materials is more than the larger of \$100,000 or 50% of the contract total, payment and performance bonding will be required in the full amount of the agreement; or

3. If the value of the agreement is more than \$250,000, Contractor will be required to post financial security in a form acceptable to the QVIR in the amount of 5% of the total agreement value up to \$250,000 in total financial security. The QVIR will not provide blanket waivers of payment/performance security requirements though reserves the right to negotiate payment and performance security terms and conditions with selected contractors based upon legal requirements and organizational needs and policies.

Prohibited Telecommunications Services and Equipment

QVIR contractors are responsible for compliance with the prohibition on certain telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment identified in 2 CFR 200.216.

Federal Exclusion Verification

The selected Contractor will be required to affirm that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

Federal Flowdown Provisions

QVIR funding for projects may vary but will frequently include federal funds. As such, any Agreement associated with this RFP may be subject to flowdown requirements under associated federal or state funding agreements, which are included and made part of by this reference. Federal flowdown requirements are not negotiable by the QVIR and will not be removed or edited.

II. REQUIRED COMPONENTS

Technical Proposal

Bidders shall submit a technical proposal for the work described in this RFP. At a minimum, each proposal must include the following:

1. An overview and description of the services provided by Bidder that align with the requests in this RFP.

2. A description of the project management or administration approach that will be followed by Bidder to ensure that the identified work is completed on time and within budget.

3. A project work plan and schedule that list in detail the stages of work expected to be completed in this project, all identifiable deliverables, and the dates on which the Bidder would anticipate being able to complete delivery of the work.

4. A project personnel overview identifying key personnel to be utilized if selected to perform the work described in this RFP and any relevant or required credentials or certifications held by the key personnel. Bidders may also include the following items in proposals as applicable:

Bidder Qualifications

Bidders shall submit a statement of their qualifications for the work described in this RFP. The statement should include the following items in narrative format:

1. Experience –
 - i. Please provide a brief explanation of previous work experience with land management agencies, noting specifically any work performed on National Forests.
 - ii. Please provide a list of relevant projects of similar size, scope, and total value performed by the Bidder within the past 5 years.
2. References –
 - i. Please provide three professional references, identifying as applicable any government or conservation nonprofit references.
 - ii. Provide the name, email address, and telephone number for each reference, as well as the dates of the projects during which the Bidder worked with each reference.

Failed Projects or Legal Actions

Bidders shall identify any past failed projects and the reasoning behind the failure or incompleteness. Bidders shall also identify all current or pending legal matters in which the Bidder or any of its principals is involved.

Pricing Schedule Bidders shall price work according to the schedule below. If Bidders believe that an alternative method of pricing is more applicable, they may also provide an alternative pricing schedule in addition to the format requested below. QVIR, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to utilize any alternative pricing schedule proposed by any Bidders.

All quantities and measurements identified in this RFP are based upon the best knowledge available to the QVIR and are subject to change. Payment will only be made for actual work to be completed. If the opportunity to add additional funding to the work described in this RFP arises, the QVIR may increase the quantities of work to be performed as part of this project, as agreed upon by the QVIR and the selected Bidder.

	Mastication	Unit/Acres	Unit Cost	Extended Cost	Total
a.	Blue Ridge 2	15			
b.	FRZ 2B.1	40			
c.	FRZ 2B.2	32.5			
d.	FRZ 3.1	49			
e.	FRZ 13	89			
f.	FRZ 14	44			
				Total Bid	

Payment Schedule

Bidders shall submit a payment schedule identifying the stages at which the Bidder anticipates submitting invoices for work performed. Selection of a Bidder's proposal shall not constitute acceptance of the payment schedule below. Actual payments and invoicing shall be in accordance with QVIR agreement requirements, and the QVIR and selected Bidder will negotiate a payment structure that is agreeable to all parties at the time of agreement negotiations.

III. SUBMISSION, EVALUATION, AND CONTACTS

Bidder Selection Process:

Bidders shall submit proposals containing all the required information described above via email at the address specified below by the stated deadline:

Submission Address: Harold.Bennett@qvir-nsn.gov and cc: TA@qvir-nsn.gov

Submission Deadline: 5:00 p.m. PST on June 05, 2026.

Proposals submitted after this RFP closes will not be considered unless approved by the QVIR. The QVIR will review all proposals determined to be responsive using the evaluation factors listed below. Proposals may be deemed non-responsive for failure to submit any required information or for failure to comply with any terms of this RFP. Non-responsive proposals may be disqualified from evaluation in the sole discretion of the QVIR.

Notification

If a proposal is selected by QVIR to advance to the contracting stage, the QVIR will notify the successful Bidder via email by June 12, 2026. Once the selected Bidder has been notified, the QVIR project representative will coordinate the drafting and negotiation of an QVIR agreement outlining the terms and conditions of the work to be performed.

Unsuccessful Bidders will be notified via email as soon as possible after closing date of this RFP. Please Note: QVIR will not share any information about the organizations submitting proposals nor any information regarding the proposals submitted by other organizations. If a Bidder has questions about its proposal, the Bidder may ask the QVIR Point of Contact identified below. If an answer can be provided, the QVIR will respond via email as soon as it is able to do so.

Request for Proposals Only

This is a request for proposals only and bids furnished do not bind the QVIR in any way. Selection of a bid will result in the opportunity to contract with QVIR but will not guarantee a resulting contract or any amount of work. The QVIR reserves the right to disqualify any incomplete or improper proposal submitted as non-responsive. The QVIR may also decide not to select any proposals submitted to this RFP for advancement to contract negotiations. This request does not commit the Klamath National Forest to pay any costs incurred in the preparation or submission of the proposal or to contract for supplies or services.

Evaluation Factors and Scoring

EVALUATION CRITERIA	Points
Qualifications and experience of the teams, as indicated by prior successful completion of similar projects	25
Qualifications and experience of the key individuals, who will be assigned to this project, as indicated by prior involvement in similar projects	25
Proposed approach to completion of the scope of work and understanding of the project and project issues	20
Fee Schedule	20
Indian Preference (owner must be member of a federally recognized Tribe, or company must be 51% ownership by a federally recognized Tribe or enrolled Tribal member; documentation required to apply Indian preference)	10
Total	100

Any questions about this Request for Proposals shall be submitted in writing to the QVIR contact identified below. Questions determined to be of importance to all potential Bidders will be posted as an attachment to an updated version of this RFP at <https://www.qvir.com>

Bid Submission

Submit bids via email to Harold.Bennett@qvir-nsn.gov and cc: TA@qvir-nsn.gov by June 05, 2026.

Equal Opportunity Provider

In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, the Quartz Valley Indian Reservation is prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, political beliefs, or disability.

FIRE PLAN FOR CONSTRUCTION AND SERVICE AGREEMENTS
08/02/2012

1. **SCOPE:**

The provisions set forth below outline the responsibility for fire prevention and suppression activities and establish a suppression plan for fires within the project area. The project area is delineated by maps in the agreement. The provisions set forth below also specify conditions under which agreement activities will be curtailed or shut down.

2. **RESPONSIBILITIES:**

A. Partner

(1) Shall abide by the requirements of this Fire Plan.

(2) Shall take all steps necessary to prevent his/her employees, subcontractors and their employees from setting fires not required in completion of the agreement, shall be responsible for preventing the escape of fires set directly or indirectly as a result of agreement operations, and shall extinguish all such fires which may escape.

(3) Shall permit and assist in periodic testing and inspection of required fire equipment. Partner shall certify compliance with specific fire precautionary measures in the fire plan, before beginning operations during Fire Precautionary Period and shall update such certification when operations change.

(4) Shall designate in the Fire Plan and furnish on project Area, during operating hours, a qualified fire supervisor authorized to act on behalf of Partner in fire prevention and suppression matters.

B. Forest Service

The Forest Service may conduct one or more inspections for compliance with the Fire Plan. The number, timing, and scope of such inspections will be at the discretion of agency employees responsible for agreement administration. Such inspections do not relieve the Partner of responsibility for correcting violations of the fire plan or for fire safety in general, as outlined in paragraph 2.A above.

3. **DEFINITIONS:**

The following definitions shall apply:

Active Landing: A location the Partner may be skidding logs into, or performing other operations such as delimiting, log manufacturing, and chipping logs. Except for EV and E days, loading logs or stockpiling chips only, on a cleared landing, does not constitute an Active Landing.

Hot Saw: A harvesting system that employs a high-speed (>1100 rpm) rotating felling head, i.e., full rotation lateral tilt head.

Mechanical Operations: The process of felling, skidding, chipping, shredding, masticating, piling, log processing and/or yarding which requires the use of motorized power which includes, chainsaws, chippers, motorized carriages, masticators, stroke delimiters, skidders, dozers etc.

4. **TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT:**

The Partner shall comply with the following requirements during the fire precautionary period, as defined by unit administering agreements:

The Fire Precautionary Period is set by the State of California which is April 1 through December 1 of any year.

- This agreement requires, does not require, a Fire Box and associated Fire Tools according to CPRC Section 4428.

A. Fire Tools and Equipment: Partner shall meet minimum requirements of Section 4428 of the California Public Resources Code (C.P.R.C.). Fire tools kept at each operating landing shall be sufficient to equip all employees in the felling, yarding, loading, chipping, and material processing operations associated with each landing. Fire equipment shall include two tractor headlights for each tractor dozer used in Partner's Operations. Tractor headlights shall be attachable to each tractor and served by an adequate power source. All required fire tools shall be maintained in suitable and serviceable condition for fire fighting purposes.

Trucks, tractors, skidders, pickups and other similar mobile equipment shall be equipped with and carry at all times a size 0 or larger shovel with an overall length of not less than 46 inches and a 2-1/2 pound axe or larger with an overall length of not less than 28 inches.

Where cable yarding is used, Partner shall provide a size 0 or larger shovel with an overall length of not less than 46 inches and a filled backpack can (4 or 5 gallon) with hand pump within 25 feet of each tail and corner block.

B. Fire Extinguishers: Partner shall equip each internal combustion yarder, fuel truck, and loader with a fire extinguisher for oil and grease fires (4-A:60-B:C).

Skidders and tractors shall be equipped with a minimum 5-BC fire extinguisher.

All Fire Extinguishers shall be mounted, readily accessible, properly maintained and fully charged.

Partner shall equip each mechanized harvesting machine with hydraulic systems, powered by an internal combustion engine (chipper, feller/buncher, harvester, forwarder, hot saws, stroke delimeter, etc), except tractors and skidders, with at least two 4-A:60-B:C fire extinguishers or equivalent.

C. Spark Arresters and Mufflers: Partner shall equip each operating tractor and any other internal combustion engine with a spark arrester, except for motor vehicles equipped with a maintained muffler as defined in C.P.R.C. Section 4442 or tractors with exhaust-operated turbochargers. Spark Arresters shall be a model tested and approved under Forest Service Standard 5100-1a as shown in the National Wildlife Coordinating Group Spark Arrester Guide, Volumes 1 and 2, and shall be maintained in good operating condition. Every motor vehicle subject to registration shall at all times be equipped with an adequate exhaust system meeting the requirements of the California Vehicle Code.

D. Power Saws: Each power saw shall be equipped with a spark arrester approved according to C.P.R.C. Section 4442 or 4443 and shall be maintained in effective working order. An Underwriters Laboratories (UL) approved fire extinguisher containing a minimum 14 ounces of fire retardant shall be kept with each operating power saw. In addition, a size 0 or larger shovel with an overall length of not less than 38 inches shall be kept with each gas can but not more than 300 feet from each power saw when used off cleared landing areas.

- This agreement requires, does not require, Section 4E of the Fire Plan.

E. Tank Truck or Trailer: Partner shall provide a **water tank truck or trailer** on or in proximity to Agreement Area during Partner's Operations hereunder during Fire Precautionary Period. When Project Activity Level B or higher is in effect, a tank truck or trailer shall be on or immediately adjacent to each active landing, unless otherwise excepted when Hot Saws or Masticators are being used. See Section 6 for specific agreement requirements.

The tank shall contain at least 300 gallons of water available for fire suppression. Ample power and hitch shall be readily available for promptly and safely moving tank over roads serving Agreement Area. Tank truck or trailer shall be equipped with the following:

- (1) Pump, which at sea level, can deliver 23 gallons per minute at 175 pounds per square inch measured at the pump outlet. Pumps shall be tested on Agreement Area using a 5/16 inch orifice in the Forester One Inch In-Line Gauge test kit. Pump shall meet or exceed the pressure value in the following table for nearest temperature and elevation:

T e m p	Sea Level		1000 Feet		2000 Feet		3000 Feet		4000 Feet		5000 Feet		6000 Feet		7000 Feet		8000 Feet		9000 Feet		10000 Feet	
55	179	23	174	23	169	23	165	22	161	22	157	22	153	22	150	21	146	21	142	21	139	21
70	175	23	171	23	166	22	162	22	158	22	154	22	150	21	147	21	143	21	139	21	136	20
85	171	23	168	23	163	22	159	22	155	22	151	21	147	21	144	21	140	21	136	20	133	20
100	168	23	164	23	159	22	155	22	152	22	148	21	144	21	141	21	137	20	133	20	131	20
	P	G	P	G	P	G	P	G	P	G	P	G	P	G	P	G	P	G	P	G	P	G
	S	P	S	P	S	P	S	P	S	P	S	P	S	P	S	P	S	P	S	P	S	P
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The pump outlet shall be equipped with 1-1/2 inch National Standard Fire Hose thread. A bypass or pressure relief valve shall be provided for other than centrifugal pumps.

- (2) 300 feet of 3/4-inch inside diameter rubber-covered high-pressure hose mounted on live reel attached to pump with no segments longer than approximately 50 feet, when measured to the extreme ends of the couplings. Hose shall have reusable compression wedge type 1-inch brass or lightweight couplings (aluminum or plastic). One end of hose shall be equipped with a coupling female section and the other end with a coupling male section. The hose shall, with the nozzle closed, be capable of withstanding 200 PSI pump pressure without leaking, distortions, slipping of couplings, or other failures.
- (3) A shut-off combination nozzle that meets the following minimum performance standards when measured at 100 P.S.I. at the nozzle:

	G.P.M.	Horizontal Range
Straight Stream	10	38 feet
Fog Spray	6 - 20	N/A

- (4) Sufficient fuel to run the pump at least 2 hours and necessary service accessories to facilitate efficient operation of the pump.

When Partner is using Hot Saws or Masticators, an additional 250 feet of light weight hose, approved by the Forest Service, shall be immediately available for use and be capable of connecting to the 300 feet of hose and appurtenances in (2) and (3) above.

This equipment and accessories shall be deliverable to a fire in the area of operations and is subject to the requirements for each specific activity level identified in Section 6.

F. Compressed Air Foam System: A Compressed Air Foam System (CAFS) is a fire suppression system where compressed air is added to water and a foaming agent. By agreement, Partner may substitute a CAFS or functional equivalent in lieu of the tank truck, trailer or fire extinguishers, provided it meets or exceeds the following specifications and requirements:

1. Variable foam expansion ratio – 10:1 to 20:1.
2. Units shall be kept fully charged with air; water and foam concentrate as recommended by the manufacturer and have the appropriate tools to service the system.
3. The unit shall contain enough energy to empty tank and clear hose prior to exhausting propellant.
4. The unit shall be capable of being completely recharged within 10 minutes.
5. When used on cable yarding landings, the unit shall be outfitted for immediate attachment to carriage and transported without damage to the unit.

Fire extinguishers required for Hot Saws, Masticators and similar equipment identified in Section 4 B. above may be substituted with a 3 gallon CAFS.

Tank truck, trailer or equivalent may be substituted with a 30 Gallon CAFS with at least 550 feet of one inch hose and an adjustable nozzle with enough water, air and foam concentrate for at least one recharge.

This equipment and accessories shall also be deliverable to a fire in the area of operations and subject to the requirements for each specific activity level identified in Section 6.

5. **GENERAL**

- A. **State Law:** In addition to the requirements in this Fire Plan, the Partner shall comply with all applicable laws of the State of California. In particular, see California Public Resource Codes.
- B. **Permits Required:** The Partner must secure a special written permit from the District Ranger or designated representative before burning, welding or cutting metal or starting any warming fires. If agreement requires Blasting and Storing of Explosives and Detonators, an Explosives Permit may be required pursuant to the California Health and Safety Code, Section 12101.
- C. **Blasting:** Partner shall use electric caps only unless otherwise agreed in writing. When blasting is necessary in slash areas, a Fire Patrolperson equipped with a size 0 or larger shovel with an overall length of not less than 46 inches and a filled backpack can (4 or 5 gallon) with hand pump shall remain in the immediate area for an hour after blasting has been completed.
- D. **Smoking:** Smoking shall not be permitted during fire season, except in a barren area or in an area cleared to mineral soil at least three feet in diameter. In areas closed to smoking, the CO may approve special areas to be used for smoking. The Partner shall sign designated smoking areas. Partner shall post signs regarding smoking and fire rules in conspicuous places for all employees to see. Partner's supervisory personnel shall require compliance with these rules. Under no circumstances shall smoking be permitted during fire season while employees are operating light or heavy equipment, or walking or working in grass and woodlands.
- E. **Storage and Parking Areas.** Equipment service areas, parking areas, and gas and oil storage areas shall be cleared of all flammable material for a radius of at least 10 feet unless otherwise specified by local administrative unit. Small mobile or stationary internal combustion engine sites shall be cleared of flammable material for a slope distance of at least 10 feet from such engine. The USFS shall approve such sites in writing.
- F. **Reporting Fires:** As soon as feasible but no later than 15 minutes after initial discovery, Partner shall notify Forest Service of any fires on Agreement Area or along roads used by Partner. Partner's employees shall report all fires as soon as possible to any of the following Forest Service facilities and/or personnel listed below, but not necessarily in the order shown:

	Name	Office Address	Office telephone
Dispatch Center	Yreka Dispatch	1809 Fairlane Rd, Yreka	530-842-4600 or 911
Nearest FS Station	Salmon/ Scott District Office	11263 CA-3 Fort Jones, CA 96032	530-468-5351
Fire Lookout	Eddie Gulch	T 39N R 11W Section 15	530-462-4601
Agency POC	Ezekiel Jones	11263 N Hwy 3, Fort Jones	530-598-5573
District Ranger	Natalie Kelley	11263 N Hwy 3, Fort Jones	530-468-1235

When reporting a fire, provide the following information:

- Your Name
- Call back telephone number
- Project Name
- Location: Legal description (Township, Range, Section); and Descriptive location (Reference point)
- Fire Information: Including Acres, Rate of Spread and Wind Conditions.

▪ **This agreement requires, does not require, Section 5G of the Fire Plan.**

G. **Communications:** Partner shall furnish a serviceable telephone, radio-telephone or radio system connecting each operating side with Partner's headquarters. When such headquarters is at a location which makes communication to it clearly impractical, Forest Service may accept a reasonable alternative location. The communication system shall provide prompt and reliable communications between Partner's headquarters (or agreed to alternative) and Forest Service via commercial or Forest Service telephone.

▪ **This agreement requires, does not require, Section 5H of the Fire Plan.**

H. **Fire Patrolperson:** Partner shall furnish a qualified fire patrolperson each operating day when Project Activity Level C or higher is in effect. When on duty, sole responsibility of patrolperson shall be to patrol the operation for prevention and detection of fires, take suppression action where necessary and notify the Forest Service as required. This Fire patrol is required on foot, unless otherwise agreed. By agreement, one patrolperson may provide patrol on this and adjacent projects. No patrolperson shall be required on Specified Road construction jobs except during clearing operations unless otherwise specified.

The Partner shall, prior to commencing work, furnish the following information relating to key personnel:

<u>Title</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Telephone Number</u>
Fire Supervisor		
Fire Patrolperson		

I. **Clearing of Fuels:** Partner shall clear away, and keep clear, fuels and logging debris as follows:

Welding equipment and stationary log loaders, yarders and other equipment listed in California State Law:	10 feet slope radius
Tail or corner haulback blocks:	All running blocks shall be located in the center of an area cleared to mineral soil at least 15 feet in diameter.
Lines near, between or above blocks:	Sufficient clearing to prevent line from rubbing on snags, down logs and other dead woody material.

6. **EMERGENCY PRECAUTIONS**

Partner's Operations shall conform to the limitations or requirements in the Project Activity Level (PAL) table below. Project Activity Levels applicable to this project shall be the predicted activity levels for the Fire Danger Rating Area(s), or fire weather station(s) stated in the Agreement Area Map Legend on Integrated Resource Service Agreements (IRSC's), and other agreements where applicable.

Fire Danger Rating Area/Fire Weather Station for Project

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The Forest Service, in its sole discretion, may change the predicted activity level if the current fire suppression situation, weather and vegetation conditions warrant an adjustment. If practicable, Forest Service will determine

the following day's activity level by 6:00 PM. Partner shall obtain the predicted Project Activity Level from the appropriate Ranger District Office before starting work each day.

Phone Number or Website to obtain Predicted Activity Levels: (530) 841-4588

Forest Service may change the Project Activity Level Table to other values upon revision of the National Fire Danger Rating System. When Partner is notified, the revised Project Activity Levels will supersede the levels in the Project Activity Level Table below.

PROJECT ACTIVITY LEVEL

Level	<i>Project Activity Minimum Requirements and Restrictions. Restrictions at each level are cumulative.</i>
A	Minimum requirements noted above in Sections 4 and 5.
B	1. Tank truck, trailer, or approved CAFS substitute shall be on or adjacent to the Active Landing.
C	1. When Hot Saws or Masticators are operating, a tank truck, trailer, or approved CAFS substitute shall be within ¼ mile of these operations. Effective communications shall exist between the operator and the Active Landing. 2. Immediately after Mechanical Operations cease, Fire patrol is required for two hours.
D	1. Immediately after Hot Saw or Masticator operations cease, Fire patrol is required for three hours. 2. No Dead Tree felling after 1:00 PM, except recently dead. 3. No burning, blasting, welding or cutting of metal after 1:00 PM, except by special permit.
Ev	<p>1. The following activities may operate all day:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Loading and hauling logs decked at approved landings. b) Loading and hauling chips stockpiled at approved landings. c) Servicing equipment at approved sites. d) Dust abatement, road maintenance (Chainsaw use prohibited), culvert installation within cleared area, chip sealing, paving, earth moving or rock aggregate stock pile loading and installation (does not include pit or quarry development). e) Chainsaw and log processing operations associated with loading logs or other forest products at approved landings. <p>2. Hot Saws or Masticators may operate until 1:00 PM; provided that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) A tractor or other equipment with a blade capable of constructing fireline is on or adjacent to the active landing or within ¼ mile of the operating equipment. This piece of equipment shall have effective communication with the Hot Saw or Masticator. b) Any additional restrictions specified by the Forest. <p>3. All other conventional Mechanical Operations are permitted until 1:00 PM.</p> <p>4. Some operations may be permitted after 1:00 PM, on a case-by-case basis, under the terms of a PAL Ev Variance Agreement. Activities for which a Variance may be issued are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rubber Tire Skidding • Chipping on Landings • Helicopter Yarding • Fire Salvage <p>When approved by a Line Officer, a Variance Agreement can be implemented when the criteria specified in the agreement are met and mitigation measures are in place. This approval is good for ten (10) days unless cancelled sooner or extended by the Agreement Administrator for an additional ten (10) days. Variance approval can be withdrawn at the sole discretion of the Forest Service. Variance approval is contingent on the 7-day fire weather forecast, fuel conditions, site characteristics, current fire situation, state of Partner's equipment for prevention and suppression readiness, type of operation and social and community considerations etc. (See Project Activity Level Variance Agreement).</p>

Level	Project Activity Minimum Requirements and Restrictions. Restrictions at each level are cumulative.
E	<p>The following activities may operate all day:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Loading and hauling logs decked at approved landings. 2. Loading and hauling chips stockpiled at approved landings. 3. Servicing Equipment at approved sites. 4. Dust abatement, road maintenance (chainsaw use prohibited) or loading stock piles and rock aggregate installation (does not include pit or quarry development). 5. Chainsaw operation associated with loading at approved landings. <p>All other activities are prohibited.</p>

This Project utilizes “The Project Activity Level” (PAL), an industrial operation’s fire precaution system. The following Climatology Chart indicates the Historic Activity Levels for the Project Fire Danger Rating Area or Fire Weather Station utilized on this Project. This is only a historical average of the Activity Levels for the identified Fire Danger Rating Area or Weather Station.

Project Activity Level Climatology								
Station/SIG/Unit:	KNF PAL West				Years Analyzed		1973 - 2017	
	A	B	C	D	Ev	E	Days	
Month	Expected Days per Month at each PAL Value						Days Analyzed	
April	12.7	10.4	5.9	1.0	0.0	0.0	1137	30
May	7.9	9.5	10.3	3.0	0.4	0.0	1302	31
June	3.0	5.0	13.0	6.9	2.1	0.0	1342	30
July	0.5	1.4	9.5	10.8	8.9	0.0	1377	31
August	0.7	1.5	6.7	8.9	13.2	0.0	1375	31
September	1.8	3.2	7.6	7.5	9.9	0.0	1316	30
October	6.6	6.0	10.8	5.6	2.0	0.0	1329	31
November	20.8	6.8	2.1	0.3	0.1	0.0	1184	30
	41.1	33.3	60.0	43.0	36.6	0.0	10362	
	A	B	C	D	Ev	E		
Month	Percent of Days per Month at each PAL Value							
April	42.4	34.6	19.5	3.4	0.1	0.0	1137	100
May	25.4	30.6	33.1	9.7	1.2	0.0	1302	100
June	9.8	16.7	43.4	23.0	7.1	0.0	1342	100
July	1.5	4.4	30.6	34.8	28.8	0.0	1377	100
August	2.2	4.9	21.5	28.8	42.5	0.1	1375	100
September	6.1	10.6	25.5	24.8	33.1	0.0	1316	100
October	21.2	19.3	35.0	18.1	6.5	0.0	1329	100
November	69.2	22.6	6.9	1.1	0.3	0.0	1184	100
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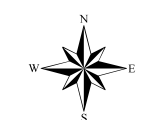
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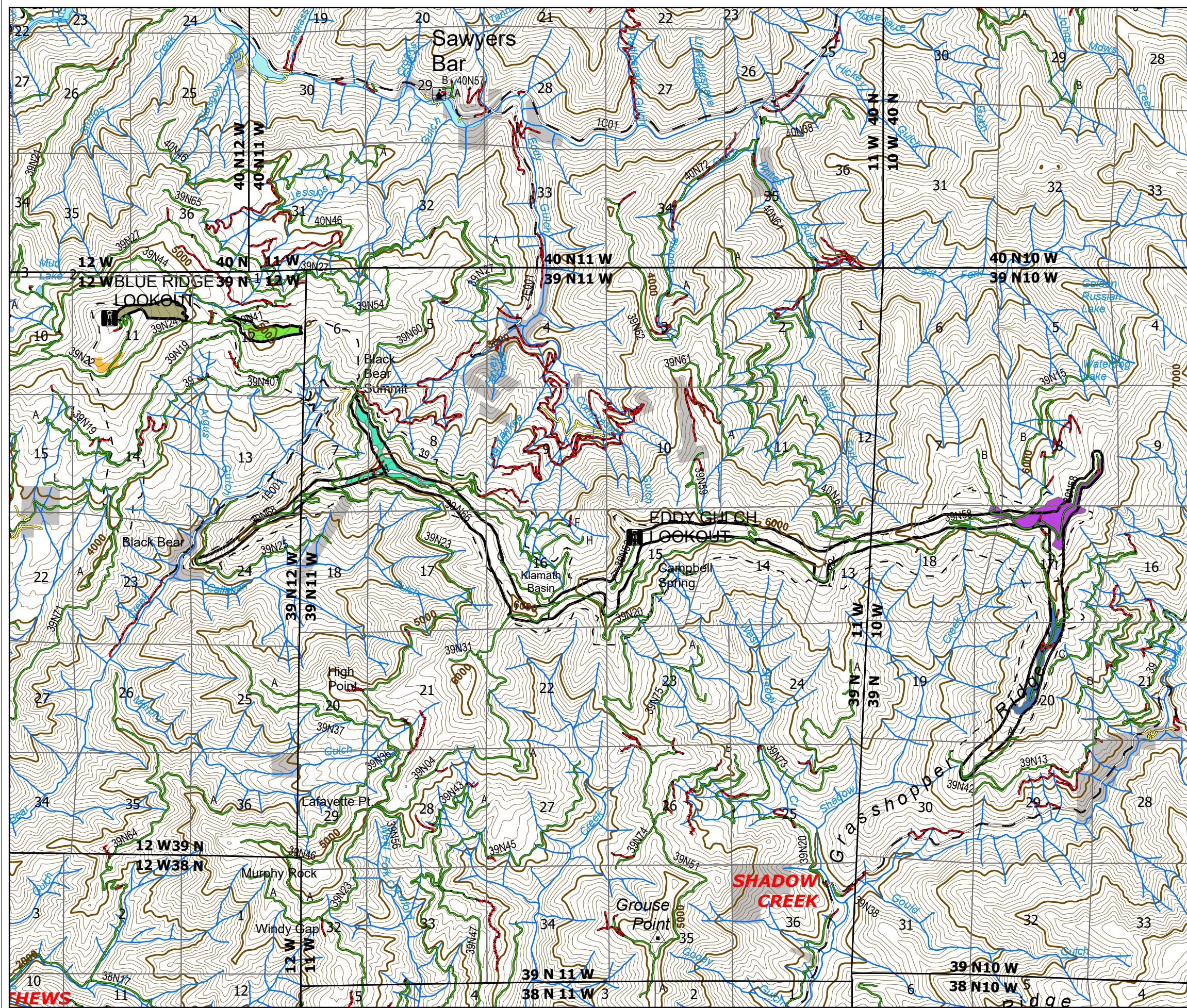
ELEVATION

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- FRZ 13 - 89.5 acres
- FRZ 14 - 44 acres
- FRZ 3.1 - 49 acres
- FRZ 2B.2 - 32.6 acres
- FRZ 2B.1 - 40.3 acres
- Blue Ridge 2- 15 acres
- FRZ Boundary
- PLSSSection
- PLSSTownship



0 0.15 0.3 0.6 Miles

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Mastication Units

FRZ

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