

# 2005 Western States Wildland Urban Interface Project Application

CSFS District submitting Project: FC

CSFS District Priority #: 6

Applicant Information	
Applicant:	Larimer County Wildfire Safety
Contact Person:	Tony Simons
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Email	tsimons@larimer.org
Fax:	970-498-7667

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Requested Grant Amount/Project Description/Scope of Work	
Dollar Amount Requested: <b>\$25,000</b>	Projected Match: <b>\$25,000 - \$250,000</b>
Name of Project: <u>Implementation of Fuels Reduction Projects and Slash Disposal Programs</u>	
<p>Please provide a description of the entire project. (If applying for a fuels reduction project, please identify vegetation types.)</p> <p>Implement the priority activities identified within the Larimer County's County Fire Plan or Community Wildfire Protection Plan that address fuels reduction – within the montane and upper montane ecosystems. These activities include but not limited to: provide communities and landowners with economical options for slash disposal; develop FireWise demonstration sites, promote community based fuels reduction programs, conduct wildfire inspections, complete subdivision assessments, develop pre-attack and evacuation plans, continue the FireWise education program.</p> <p>Provide a brief scope of work: (The scope of work should be more specific than the project description. Provide a short, detailed explanation of how grant funds will be used.)</p> <p>Grant dollars would provide Larimer County communities with financial assistance for implementation of fuels reduction and slash disposal programs. Projects may include but not limited to: Develop, organize or continue community slash collection or burn sites in - Glacier View, Crystal Lakes, Rist Canyon, Cedar Park, Estes Park, Red Feather Lakes, construct fuel breaks – Little Valley, Thunder Mountain, Windcliff Estates, Pinewood, improve access easements—Little Valley, create defensible spaces—Glacier View, Pinewood Springs, Pinewood, provide curb side chipping—Meadowdale Hills, Glen Haven and create FireWise demonstration sites—Horsetooth Mountain Park. Provide 50/50 cost sharing opportunities to individual landowners who are implementing fuels reduction on their property.</p>	

Timeline	
What is the duration of this grant request? (check one)	One Year <input type="checkbox"/> Two Years <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Please provide a timeline for the project. Begin Date: <u>1/1/05</u> End Date: <u>12/30/06</u>	
Is this a continuing project from previous year/s? (check one)	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, how much funding has come from WSFM Competitive Grants? \$ <u>50,000</u>	
Have you applied to other sources to fund this Project? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Project Summary	
<input type="checkbox"/>	

4	Project Category: (check all that apply)		Project Type: (check all that apply)	
	Hazardous Fuels Reduction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Assessment/Scoping	
	Information & Education		Planning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Homeowner & Community Action		Information/Education	
			Implementation/Treatment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
			Monitoring/Evaluation	

5	<b>Community Information</b>			
	Community Name: Communities throughout Larimer County			
	County:	Larimer	Congressional District:	4th
	Population/Number of Visitors:	251,494	Number of Homes/Structures:	17,215
	Latitude (decimal degrees):	N/A	Longitude (decimal degrees):	N/A
	Number of Acres to be treated: (for fuels reduction projects)	200-350	Estimated Cost Per Acre: (for fuels reduction projects)	\$500.00/Acre
	Number of citizens to be reached: (for educational/prevention projects)		Number of Residences Affected: (for planning projects)	
	<b>Identify what organization in the community is providing leadership for the project?</b>			
	Homeowners Association:			
	Fire Department or Protection District:			
	County Government:		Larimer County Wildfire Safety	
	Local Government:			
	Non-Profit Group:			
	Other (Please Specify):			
	<b>Threat Description</b> (Check what is threatened)		<b>Hazard Description</b> (Check appropriate type of interface) See page 4 of Criteria and Instructions for definitions.	
Homes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Businesses: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> x Watersheds: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> x Infrastructure: <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Viability: <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Structures: <input type="checkbox"/>		Interface: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Intermix: <input type="checkbox"/> Occluded Interface: <input type="checkbox"/> Rural Interface: <input type="checkbox"/>		

6	<b>Interagency Collaboration</b>	
	Identify the private, local, tribal, state, federal organizations and/or other (please specify) that are contributing or participating in completion of this project. Please identify how each partner will contribute to the completion of the project (funding, personnel, equipment, etc.)  Larimer County Wildfire Safety Program, Larimer County Emergency Services, Larimer County Parks and Open Lands, Larimer County Planning Division, Larimer County Sheriffs Dept., Larimer Fire Council, Colorado State Forest Service, United States Forest Service, Rocky Mountain National Park, 17 Career and Volunteer Fire departments, Homeowners associations, Community Groups, Board of Realtors, Home Building Associations, Insurance Industry, State Farm Insurance	



Grant Contributors (Matching Share)							
(Applications will be disqualified if insufficient match is identified; federal dollars DO NOT qualify) Please specify each match contributor and the dollar amount of each contribution.							
7	Contributors: (please specify)	Citizens	LC WS				<b>TOTAL</b>
	Dollars (Hard Match):	5000	2500				7500
	In-Kind (Soft Match):	17500					17500
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	22500	2500				25000

Total Project Expense (include matching share from above)					
8		Grant Share (\$ Amount Requested)	Match (from above)		TOTAL
			Dollars	In-Kind	
	Personnel/Labor :	0	2500		2500
	Operating :	2500			2500
	Travel :				
	Contractual Services :	22500	5000	17500	45000
	Equipment :				
	Indirect Costs :				
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	25000	7500	17500	50000

Planned Project Maintenance/ Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)	
9	Please describe how the project will be maintained or sustained after it has been completed.
	It is anticipated that new community projects or ongoing community projects that receive funding assistance from grant will have a strong community leadership, agency involvement, community support, plus awareness and understanding of the projects goals and objectives. Ongoing and new projects are and will be incorporated in the Community Wildfire Protection Plan that allows for landscape planning and fuels treatments that meet the goals objectives identified in the plan.
	Does this community have a wildfire protection plan in place? (check one)    Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
	If yes, does it follow CWPP guidelines? (Briefly describe)
	Larimer County has created a County Fire Plan/Community Wildfire Protection Plan that identifies objectives and priorities on a county wide basis. Individual communities are developing their own specific plans that meet their specific needs. With the assistance of agency personnel these individual community plans objectives and priorities are incorporated into the larger scale County Plan to allow for landscape scale planning and treatment.
	If no, is this a request to develop a plan? (Briefly describe)

Additional Information	
10	Larimer County's Wildfire Safety Program, collected over 85,000 cubic yards of slash, treated over 300 lane miles of road, constructed over 75 acres of demonstration sites, contacted over 750 citizens in education meetings, conducted over 825 wildfire inspections, recorded over 1.6 million dollars of In-Kind match since 2001 ( these numbers do not include 2004).

# 2005 Western States Wildland Urban Interface Project Application

CSFS District submitting Project: FC

CSFS District Priority #: 3

Applicant Information	
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Fax:	970-498-7667

Requested Grant Amount/Project Description/Scope of Work	
Dollar Amount Requested: <b>\$80,000</b>	Projected Match: <b>\$80,000 - \$250,000</b>
Name of Project: <u>Larimer County Fuels Reduction Crew with ASU (Alternative Sentencing Unit)</u>	
<p>Please provide a description of the entire project. (If applying for a fuels reduction project, please identify vegetation types.)</p> <p>Develop a fuels reduction crew – thinning and burning within the montane and upper montane ecosystems; the crew will utilize emergency firefighters as the sawyers and the ASU (Alternative Sentencing Unit) as a labor force to stack slash into burn piles or chipping sites throughout Larimer County. This crew would focus efforts on priorities established in the Larimer County Community Wildfire Protection Plan, or the individual communities CWPP.</p> <p>Provide a brief scope of work: (The scope of work should be more specific than the project description. Provide a short, detailed explanation of how grant funds will be used.)</p> <p>Grant dollars would be utilized to fund salaries of an individual to plan, coordinated and oversee fuels projects, conduct piles burns and prescribed fires; plus the salaries of emergency firefighters that serve as sawyers and assist in burning operations. No grant dollars would be used for the ASU labor force, all costs or ASU would be provided by Larimer County Sheriffs Department. Fuels reduction projects may be located on community or county open space, community green belts, access improvement, chipping and the construction of fuel breaks on private property.</p>	

Timeline	
What is the duration of this grant request? (check one)	One Year <input type="checkbox"/> Two Years <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> x
Please provide a timeline for the project. Begin Date: <u>3/05</u> End Date: <u>11/07</u>	
Is this a continuing project from previous year/s? (check one)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> x
If yes, how much funding has come from WSFM Competitive Grants? \$ <u>                    </u>	
Have you applied to other sources to fund this Project? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> x	



Project Summary			
4	Project Category: (check all that apply)		Project Type: (check all that apply)
	Hazardous Fuels Reduction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Assessment/Scoping
	Information & Education		Planning
	Homeowner & Community Action		Information/Education
			Implementation/Treatment
		Monitoring/Evaluation	

Community Information			
5	Community Name: County-Wide Project		
	County: Larimer	Congressional District: 4th	
	Population/Number of Visitors: 251,494	Number of Homes/Structures: 17,215	
	Latitude (decimal degrees): N/A	Longitude (decimal degrees): N/A	
	Number of Acres to be treated: (for fuels reduction projects) 100 - 175	Estimated Cost Per Acre: \$500-\$750/acre (for fuels reduction projects)	
	Number of citizens to be reached: (for educational/prevention projects)	Number of Residences Affected: (for planning projects)	
	<b>Identify what organization in the community is providing leadership for the project?</b>		
	Homeowners Association:		
	Fire Department or Protection District:		
	County Government: Tony Simons, LC Wildfire Safety Specialist		
Local Government:			
Non-Profit Group:			
Other (Please Specify):			
<b>Threat Description</b> (Check what is threatened)		<b>Hazard Description</b> (Check appropriate type of interface) See page 4 of Criteria and Instructions for definitions.	
Homes:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Interface:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Businesses:		Intermix:	
Watersheds:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Occluded Interface:	
Infrastructure:		Rural Interface:	
Economic Viability:			
Historic Structures:			

Interagency Collaboration	
6	Identify the private, local, tribal, state, federal organizations and/or other (please specify) that are contributing or participating in completion of this project. Please identify how each partner will contribute to the completion of the project (funding, personnel, equipment, etc.)
	Larimer County Wildfire Safety Program, Larimer County Emergency Services, Larimer County Parks and Open Lands, Larimer County Planning Division, Larimer County Sheriffs Dept., Larimer Fire Council, Colorado State Forest Service, United States Forest Service, Rocky Mountain National Park, 17 Career and Volunteer Fire departments, Homeowners associations, Community Groups, Board of Realtors, Home Building Associations, Insurance Industry, State Farm Insurance

Grant Contributors (Matching Share)							
(Applications will be disqualified if insufficient match is identified; federal dollars DO NOT qualify) Please specify each match contributor and the dollar amount of each contribution.							
7	Contributors: (please specify)	Larimer County WS	Larimer County Sheriff	Larimer County Citizens			<b>TOTAL</b>
	Dollars (Hard Match):	5000	5000				10,000
	In-Kind (Soft Match):	5000	55000	10000			70,000
	<b>TOTAL:</b>	10000	60000	10000			80,000

Total Project Expense (include matching share from above)					
8		Grant Share (\$ Amount Requested)	Match (from above)		TOTAL
			Dollars	In-Kind	
	Personnel/Labor :	71500	8500	70,000	150,000
Operating :	7000			7000	
Travel :					
Contractual Services :					
Equipment :					
Indirect Costs :	1500	1500		3000	
<b>TOTAL:</b>	80000	10000	70000	160,000	

Planned Project Maintenance/ Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)	
9	Please describe how the project will be maintained or sustained after it has been completed.
	The fuel reduction projects throughout the county would serve as demonstration sites, for a variety of FireWise treatment techniques. Communities surrounding or adjacent to these fuels treatments will take ownership in the project and further understand FireWise concepts implemented. It is anticipated that communities with the assistance of agency personnel would expand these treatment areas to further minimize the impact of a wildfire event.
	Does this community have a wildfire protection plan in place? (check one)    Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
	If yes, does it follow CWPP guidelines? (Briefly describe)
	Larimer County has created a County Fire Plan/Community Wildfire Protection Plan that identifies objectives and priorities on a county wide basis. Individual communities are developing their own specific plans that meet their specific needs. With the assistance of agency personnel these individual community plans objectives and priorities are incorporated into the larger scale County Plan to allow for landscape scale planning and treatment.
	If no, is this a request to develop a plan? (Briefly describe)

Additional Information	
10	The process of utilizing emergency service firefighters as sawyers and ASU as a labor force for stacking and chipping has occurred in Larimer County at Horsetooth Mountain Park and on a Front Range Fuels Treatment Partnership project in Glacier View Meadows with overwhelming success both from a public acceptance and reducing the cost of treatment to an estimated \$500-650 per acre.



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July 29, 2005

Larimer County Wildfire Safety  
Attn: Tony Simons  
P.O. Box 1190  
Fort Collins, CO 80524

Re: 536636-004  
-005

Dear Mr. Simons:

Late last summer you applied for a Western State Fire Managers Competitive Grant to mitigate wildfire risk through assessment, planning, education, fuel hazard reduction, and/or monitoring. I thank you for your patience in waiting for the results of the grant process.

Colorado did not receive the expected funding this year and as a result your request may have been reduced.

Shortly, you will be receiving a sub-award agreement packet from the Colorado State University Office of Sponsored Programs. I encourage you to become familiar with its terms, if acceptable, sign it and return it to the Office of Sponsored Programs.

The Office of Sponsored Programs will be managing the agreement and payment process of this grant program. Technical advice on implementation of your project will be available through the Colorado State Forest Service District Office that serves your area. Certification of your project work will be required by the CSFS District Office before the Office of Sponsored Programs will issue you reimbursement.

The Colorado State Forest Service received 161 applications totaling \$6.8 million. Through a competitive selection process 25 applications will share in the \$1.3 million available.

Thank you for your interest in mitigating wildfire hazards in your community.

Sincerely,

*Richard L. Homann*

Richard L. Homann  
Fire Division Supervisor

cc: Office of Sponsored Programs

Fort Collins District

2006 Colorado Western States  
Wildland Urban Interface  
Grant Application

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District Submitting Project:	
District Priority Number:	
Statewide Risk Assessment Rating:	
Hazard Description / Other:	

Applicant Information	
Applicant:	Larimer County Wildfire Safety
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Fax:	970-498-7667

Community At Risk Information			
Name of Project:	Fuels Reduction with Alternative Sentencing Unit		
Community Name:	Larimer County		
County:	Larimer County	Congressional District:	4th
Latitude (decimal degrees):	n/a	Longitude (decimal degrees):	n/a
Threat Description (check all that apply)			
Homes:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Number of:	105392
Infrastructure:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Estimated value of:	
Businesses:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Number of:	
Economic Viability:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Estimated value of:	
Watersheds:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Number of:	
Historic Structures:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Number of:	
Other (Describe):			

Requested Grant Amount / Project Description	
All information for the project must fit into the space provided below. Attachments will not be considered by the review committee.	
Dollar Amount Requested \$ 37,800	Projected Match \$ 37800
Provide a brief overview of the project and the project area. (If applying for a fuels reduction project, identify vegetation types.)	
<p>Develop and expand a fuels reduction crew – thinning and burning within the montane and upper montane ecosystems; the crew will utilize emergency firefighters as the sawyers and the ASU (Alternative Sentencing Unit) as a labor force to stack slash into burn piles or chipping sites throughout Larimer County. This crew would focus efforts on priorities established in the Larimer County Community Wildfire Protection Plan, or the individual communities CWPP.</p>	



Scope of Work / Project Timeline	
All information for the project must fit into the space provided below. Attachments will not be considered by the review committee.	
4	<p>Provide a brief scope of work which clearly describes how grant funds will be spent. (This should be more specific than the project description)</p> <p>Grant dollars would be utilized to fund salaries of an individual to coordinated and manage projects, conduct piles burns and prescribed fires; plus the salaries of emergency firefighters that serve as sawyers and assist in burning operations. No grant dollars would be used for the ASU labor force, all costs or ASU would be provided by Larimer County Sheriffs Department. Fuels reduction projects may be located on community or county open space, community green belts, access improvement, chipping and the construction of fuel breaks on private property. Additionally, fuels reductions projects will serve as an interpretive FireWise demonstration sites.</p> <p>Describe all planned maintenance (grant funded or other) if this project is funded. Larimer County Parks and Open Lands with the assistance of the Wildfire Safety program and the Nature Conservancy is developing a comprehensive monitoring plan that coincides with fuels treatments and the use of prescribed fire. Monitoring points have been established and are being maintained by LC Parks and Open Lands staff. Community projects will be maintained and monitored by the respective community.</p> <p>What is the duration of this project? (check one) <input type="checkbox"/> One Year <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two Years</p> <p>Is this a continuing project from previous year/s? (check one) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Provide a timeline for the project Award date-end of project --hire and train staff on projects identified in the Larimer County Community Wildfire Protection Plan or by Larimer County Parks and Open Lands. Additionally, work with communities to assist them in identifying projects that will be economical and beneficial to redect the impact of wildfire.</p>

Interagency Collaboration	
5	<p>Specify the private, local, tribal, county, state, federal and/or non-governmental (501c3) organizations that will contribute to or participate in the completion of this project. Describe <b>briefly</b> the contributions each partner will make (i.e. – donating time/equipment, funding, etc.).</p> <p>LC Wildfire Safety Program (time/funding), LC Emergency Services( time/equipment), LC Sheriffs Dept(time)., LC Coordinating Group(time), LC Parks and Open Lands (time/equipment/funding) Colorado State Forest Service (time), United States Forest Service(time), Rocky Mountain National Park (time), 17 Career and Volunteer Fire departments(time), Homeowners associations(time), Community Groups(time), The Nature Conservancy(time/funding)</p>
Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)	
Does this community have a wildfire protection plan that follows the Healthy Forest Restoration Act CWPP guidelines? (check one) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in development	
Is this project part of the plan? (check one) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	
A copy of the plan (final, draft, or proposed outline) must submitted with this application.	



6	<b>Project Category (check all that apply and answer related questions)</b>			
	<b>Hazard Fuels Reduction</b> <input type="checkbox"/>			
	Number of acres to be treated:	95	Estimated cost per acre:	\$400.00
	Number of communities directly affected by this project:		10	
	<b>Information &amp; Education</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
	Number of citizens to be reached:	2,500		
	<b>Planning</b> <input type="checkbox"/>			
	Number of residences affected:			
	<b>Project Type (check all that apply)</b>			
	Assessment / Scoping:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Implementation / Treatment:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Homeowner / Community Action:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Monitoring / Evaluation:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Information / Education:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			

7	Grant Contributors (Matching Share)							
	(Applications will be disqualified if insufficient match is identified; federal dollars DO NOT qualify- see criteria & instructions for exception) Please specify each match contributor and the dollar amount of each contribution.							
	Contributors: (Please specify)	LC Wildfire Safety	LC Sheriffs	LC Parks and Open Lands			TOTAL	
	Dollars (Hard Match):			\$10,000			\$10,000	
	In-Kind (Soft Match):	\$12,800	\$15,000				\$27,800	
	TOTAL:	\$12,800	\$15,000	\$10,000	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$37,800

Total Project Expense (break down matching share totals from block seven)					
	Grant Share (\$ Amount Requested)	Match (from block seven)		TOTAL	
		Dollars	In-Kind		
8	Personnel / Labor:	32300	10000	23300	\$65,600
	Operating:	4500	0	2000	\$6,500
	Travel:	0	0	0	\$ 0
	Contractual Services:	0	0	0	\$ 0
	Equipment:	1000	0	2500	\$3,500
	Indirect Costs:	0	0	0	\$ 0
	TOTAL:	\$37,800	\$10,000	\$27,800	\$75,600





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August 31, 2005

Boyd Lebeda  
Colorado State Forest Service  
District Forester  
Fort Collins District

Boyd,

Enclosed is 2006 Colorado Western States Wildland Urban Interface Grant application title "Fuels Reduction with Alternative Sentencing Unit" from Larimer County.

Identifying a threat description in Box 2, is not applicable due to that the grant application is designed to benefit the entire County and not a specific area. Therefore the numbers in Box 2 are County-wide estimates on number of structures and population. It is planned that any funding allocated would be distributed to projects and communities that:

- Show the most promise to be achievable and measurable
- are collaboratively with agency partners
- are identified in or prioritized within a communities or County Fire Plan
- and can be monitored and tracked.

Total number of structures that may be affect is 105, 392 and total population in the Wildfire Hazard Area is 251,494.

Additionally, Larimer County has a County Fire Plan that meets the criteria of a Community Wildfire Protection Plan. Activities identified in the County Fire Plan coincide with the activities identified in the grant application. The plan can be viewed at [www.larimer.org/wildfire](http://www.larimer.org/wildfire).

If you have further questions or comments please contact me at 970-498-7718.

Thank you,

Tony Simons  
Larimer County Wildfire Safety Specialist  
[tsimons@larimer.org](mailto:tsimons@larimer.org)

ATTACHMENT B  
GRANT REPORT/REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST  
2003 WSFM COMPETITIVE GRANTS

Subaward No. G-

In order to receive reimbursement, you must provide documentation supporting your expenditures covered by this initial disbursement and the corresponding match. You may request reimbursement on a monthly basis as you incur expenses, however the final 10% of the award amount will not be released until the final closeout report is received and accepted. Reimbursement requests must be accompanied by receipts for costs incurred and documentation of matching funds. Federal Funds cannot be used as sources for meeting the cost sharing (matching) provisions. Matching Funds are expenses for goods, services and labor necessary for project implementation and incurred by the applicant which are not reimbursed with Federal Funds.

1. Grant Award #: G-536737-005	2. Total Award Amount: 18,000	3. Community Protected: LARIMER COUNTY
4. Make Payment To: Name: LARIMER COUNTY WILDFIRE SAFETY P.O. BOX 1190 Address: FORT COLLINS, CO 80522		5. Period of Performance: From: 8/1/04 To: 2/1/05

6. What was accomplished? (Quantity or Status of Project. Please provide a description of accomplishments. Please be specific and report numbers such as acres treated, numbers of defensible spaces, tons of cubic feet or yards of slash collected, number of presentations, number of plans written. Attach additional sheets as necessary.)

22,624 CUBIC YARD OF SLASH COLLECTED 200 YD<sup>3</sup>/AC = 113 AC  
 4 COMMUNITY FUEL REDUCTION PROJECTS  
 162 LANE MILES OF FUEL BREAK CONSTRUCTED

\* FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE 2004 FINAL REPORT.

7. Reimbursement Request:

Project to Date Reimbursement Request Amount cannot exceed the total award obligation as identified in the Award Document. The Total Reimbursement Request Amount cannot exceed to Total Matching Funds amount for the period being billed.

	Current Period			Project to Date		
	Reimbursement Request Amount	Matching Funds	Total Costs	Reimbursement Request Amount	Matching Funds	Total Costs
Labor*	18,000	18,000				
Material**						
Total	18,000	18,000				

Donated time and materials can only be counted towards the matching component.

\* Use actual costs or \$11.68/hour for donated or volunteers' time.

\*\* Use actual costs or fair market value of donated materials, supplies, or equipment use.

8. Amount Paid to CSFS for Products and/Or Services : \$ 0

9. I request reimbursement in the amount of \$ 18,000 for the work completed and documented above. I certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief this report is correct and complete and that all outlays reported are for the purposes set forth in the grant award documents.

Signature:

*Tony Simons*

Date:

1/20/05

10. Certification (To be completed by CSFS District):

Work meets minimum standards as set forth by CSFS.

Signature:

Date:



**Final Report**

**2004 National Fire Plan projects**

**Grant # G-536737-005**

**Larimer County Wildfire Safety  
and Staffing Assistance**

**December 2004**

## **2004 Final Report**

### **Background**

In July 2004, Larimer County's Wildfire Safety Program was notified that it has been awarded an \$18,000 grant from the Colorado State Forest Service via National Fire plan to continue and expand Larimer County's fuels reduction program and provide funding for an assistant to the Wildfire Safety Specialist.

This fuels reduction program was designed to provide an economical means of disposal for slash generated during the implementation of FireWise techniques on private property. The additional staffing was to assist the Wildfire Safety Specialist in conducting wildfire inspections, coordinate the County's fuels reduction program, serve as chief of party during the construction demonstration sites, develop and update pre attack plans and conduct subdivision assessments..

### **2004 Slash Disposal Program**

Disposal options were developed to provide landowners with choices that were economical and feasible. Additionally, these options were designed to have the greatest citizen participation and treat the largest number of properties. These options or choices consist of:

- Community Collection Sites—material chipped or ground
- Community Burn Sites—material burned
- 50/50 Cost Share Opportunities—up to \$1000.00

Besides establishing slash disposal sites, demonstration sites were created and expanded in public areas with high visibility. These sites provided excellent education opportunities to the public and serve as before and after examples of FireWise techniques and good forest management.

### **Accomplishments**

In 2004 the Slash Disposal Program collected and estimated 22,625 cubic yards of slash generated from citizens implementing FireWise techniques. All 22,625 cubic yards was collected using one of the options listed above

- Community Collections Sites were established collecting over 3,625 cubic yards of slash in which materials was chipped or ground.
- Community Burning Sites were established collecting over 19,000 cubic yards of slash.
- 4 Community and organizations utilized the 50/50 cost share option.



- Rockwood Estates
  - Little Valley
  - Glen Haven
  - Retreat Subdivision
- Larimer County Road and Bridge utilized the Vermeer Chipper in treating over 162 lane miles—each side of the road equals one lane mile. This treatment included access improvement and fuel break construction.

### **Wildfire Safety Specialist--Assistance**

A joint position with the Larimer County Sheriffs Department—Emergency Service was created to assist the Wildfire Safety Specialist in conducting wildfire inspections, coordination of the County's fuels reduction program, serve as chief of party during the construction demonstration sites, develop and update pre attack plans and write and implement burn plans and smoke permits. This position will not only assist the Wildfire Safety Specialist but also will provide the Emergency Services Program with an additional full time specialist.

### **Wildfire Safety Crew**

The crew consisted of 3 to 4 seasonal positions. The primary purpose of this crew was to assist the Wildfire Safety Program and Larimer County, citizens, homeowner associations with:

- Chipping community slash collection sites
- Community thinning projects
- Create Fire Wise Demonstration Sites
- Burning of Slash Piles
- Front Range Fuels Treatment Projects

### **Conclusion**

The 2004 Slash Disposal Program again was extremely successful and has had immediate long-term impacts on Larimer County. This is the sixth year that the program has continuously grown and it is anticipated to continue. Citizens, fire departments and homeowners associations are already inquiring on the possibility of the program continuing in 2005 and the location of future collection sites.

## **Additional Information**

Early in the program when it was identified that volunteer in-kind match from community collection site was needed; it was determined that it would take on average one hour to haul one cubic yard of slash to a collection site. Included in this estimate is the time required to cut the vegetation, load it in a truck, drive to a collection site and then unload the material

## **In-Kind ---Recorded for Grant**

The 2004 Wildfire Safety Program recorded in-kind match:

50/50 Cost Share Agreements	\$11,937.72
Larimer County Wildfire Safety Program	\$6,062.28
Wildfire Safety Specialist	
Building Inspectors	
Vehicles, Equipment	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$18,000.00</b>

## **Additional In-Kind Recorded—Not for Grant**

Burn/chip Sites	\$259,296.00
Larimer County Wildfire Safety Program	\$76,147.72
Wildfire Safety Specialist	
Building Inspectors	
Vehicles, Equipment	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$335,443.72</b>

## **Key Point**

Focusing on the fuels reduction projects only, where Larimer County Citizen time was recorded. In-kind match was determined to be \$271,233.00 yielding 23,222 volunteer hours.

Thanks Larimer County Citizens.



# 2004 Western States Wildland Urban Interface Program

Grant

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1	<b>State information for:</b> CSFS District or Unit:	
	State Contact:	District/Unit priority for this application: /
	Name:	
	Address:	
	Phone:	
	E-Mail:	

2	<b>Applicant Information</b>	
	Applicant Name:	Larimer County Wildfire Safety Program
	Contact Person:	Tony Simons
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	Fax:	(970) 498-1667
	E-Mail:	tsimons@larimer.org

3	<b>Community Information</b>											
	Community Name: Larimer County--County Wide Project											
	County: Larimer County	Congressional District: 4th										
	Impacted Population: 251,494 (Total)	No. of Homes Impacted: 105,392 (Total)										
	What organization in the community is providing leadership for the project											
	Homeowners Association											
	Fire Department or Protection District											
	Local Government											
	County Government: Larimer County Wildfire Safety Program											
	Corporation											
Private Individual												
<b>Threat Description</b>												
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(Check what is threatened)												

4	<b>TO BE FILLED IN BY STATE OFFICE</b>					
	<b>Wildland Condition*</b>		<b>Risk**</b>		<b>Interface Type***</b>	
	Condition Class 1		Very High		Intermix	
	Condition Class 2		High		Interface	
	Condition Class 3		Moderate		Occluded	
					Rural	
*10 year Strategy Definitions		**State Assessment		***WSFM Definitions		

Project Summary			
5	<b>Primary Project Type</b>		<b>Units of Measure</b>
		Y or N	Number      Unit
	Assessment/Scoping:	Y	Sub Assessed
	Planning:	Y	Community Projects
	Information/Education:	Y	Citizens Reached
	Implementation/Treatment:	Y	Acres /Cubic Yards
	Monitoring/Evaluation:		
	(To Report)		
	<b>Project Description:</b> Implement the priority activities identified within the County Fire Plan that address prevention, fuels reduction and community action as well as foster a partnership with the Front Range Fuel Treatment Partnership. These activities include: provide homeowners with economical options for slash disposal; develop FireWise demonstration sites, conduct wildfire inspections, complete subdivision assessments, establish community projects, promote FireWise Communities, develop pre-attack and evacuation plans, continue the FireWise education program.		
	Is this a continuing project from previous year/s:      YES      N		
<b>Briefly identify accomplishments, including Units of Measure:</b> Larimer County's Wildfire Safety Program, collected over 85,000 cubic yards of slash, treated over 300 lane miles of road, constructed over 75 acres of demonstration sites, contacted over 500 citizens in education meetings, conducted over 750 wildfire inspections, recorded over 1.3 million dollars of In-Kind match since 2001.			
<b>How will you mitigate the threats checked in Block 3?</b> Through the combination of FireWise education and outreach, demonstrations sites, community/cross boundary projects with maintaining the slash disposal program will not only reduce the wildfire hazard around individual homes but entire communities making Larimer County more FireWise.			
<b>Give a brief description of the project steps and activities to achieve objectives.</b> Continue joint position with Larimer County Emergency services to assist with the operational aspects of the planned activities. Develop community/cross boundary projects on areas that have the highest wildfire hazard. Continue Slash disposal program. Prepare pre attack and evacuation planning. Conduct Are You FireWise education meetings.			
<b>Time-line for meeting the steps listed above. Include major milestones, accomplishments and completion date.</b> 1/04 Continue joint position with Emergency Services 02/04 Inform Citizens of continuation of Slash Disposal Program; 3/04-7/04 sign agreements for slash disposal/fuel reduction projects, organize and coordinated community/cross boundary projects 9/04-10/04 grind slash collection sites-complete demonstration projects, preattack and evacuation plans. 11/05 Burn slash piles.			
6	<b>Contributors</b>		
	Name the private, local, tribal, state, and/or federal organizations that are contributing or participating in getting the project done. Larimer County Wildfire Safety Program, Larimer County Emergency Services, Larimer County Public Information, Larimer County Planning Division, Larimer County Fire Council Colorado State Forest Service, United States Forest Service, Rocky Mountain National Park, 17 Career and Volunteer Fire departments, Homeowners associations, Community Groups, Board of Realtors, Home Building Associations, Insurance Industry, State Farm Insurance		



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85,000

10,000

75,000

7	<b>Estimated Total Project Cost</b>
	Estimate the total cost of completing the project. Include all funds (federal, state, local, private, both actual dollars and the value of gifts, supplies, materials, volunteered services, or in-kind match): \$650,000.00

8	<b>Project Revenue (How will be project be funded?)</b>				
	Grant Request (List Below)	Other Funds (List Source in columns to right)	LC	Citizens	
	85000				
		Dollars (Hard Match)	35000	7500	
		In-Kind (Soft Match)	0	42500	
		Total Match	35000	50000	
Application will be disqualified with insufficient match identified (Federal dollars do not qualify)					

9	<b>Project Expense (How will funds be spent?)</b>						
	(List Source in columns to right)	Grant	LARCO	Citizen	Citizen		Total
			CASH	In Kind	Cash		
	Cooperators Salary/ Wages/Benefits	30000	17500				47500
	Operating Expenses	8000		42500			50500
	Contractual Services	44500	17500		7500		69500
	Capital Expenses	0					0
	Indirect Costs	2500					2500
	Total	85000	35000	42500	7500		170000

10	<b>Additional Comments</b>
	The 2004 grant would provide funding for the prioritize activities outline within the Larimer County Fire Plan. Designed to expand and continue current programs, plus provide assistance to fire departments and communities for new projects. These project will be coordinated with the Front Range Fuels Treatment Partnership. The County Fire Plan was developed by an interagency task force that focused on providing a cooperative framework under which fire management programs are developed and implemented to protect human and natural resource values in an effective and efficient manner.