



# Wildfire Defensible Space Fuels Reduction Cost Share Agreement

High Country RC&D Area, Inc.  
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To qualify for cost share assistance for fuel reduction treatments you must:

- Form a group of two or more landowners with adjoining properties
- Return completed agreements for each group member together in one package to High Country RC&D at the address above.

## **PLEASE COMPLETE ALL ITEMS**

Property Owner \_\_\_\_\_ Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address (if different than above) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (office) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Number of acres treated \_\_\_\_\_

### **I agree to the following statements (please initial):**

1. I authorized High Country RC&D Area, Inc., including its employees or contractors, to enter my property for the purpose of evaluating the wildfire risk within 4-100 feet of my house, and/or within my property boundary, and ducting a follow-up inspection. \_\_\_\_\_
2. My property lines are easily identified and I have identified them to the person(s) performing the evaluation. Trees on the boundary of my property are identified as to my ownership. I am responsible for any mismarked property lines. \_\_\_\_\_  
*Please note special conditions on your property (e.g. standing water, shallow buried cables, abandoned wells, hazardous areas, etc).*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. I will post a non-flammable, reflective address marker that is easily visible from the road with letters at least 4 inches high. \_\_\_\_\_
4. I agree to obtain three bids from tree service/forestry companies utilizing the enclosed "Acquiring Bids for the Defensible Space – Fuel Reduction Cost Share Program" sheet. \_\_\_\_\_

5. I agree to contract with a tree service/forestry company to conduct work described only in the evaluation. I will pay for the contacted work and remit the paid invoice with items listed below to the High Country RC&D Area, Inc. for partial reimbursement. \_\_\_\_\_
- Name and contact information for the contractor (tree service/forestry company)
  - Contractor work hours
  - Amount of plant material removed in cubic yards or weight, and
  - Contractor's hourly wage.
6. I agree to maintain the reduced fuels around my home for a period of 10 years. \_\_\_\_\_
7. I agree to track additional labor, materials, equipment and any other resources used for this treatment as required for the in-kind and/or cash match (see Volunteer and Services Form).  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. I understand that High Country will reimburse for the tree services as follows:
- Group of 2 landowners: 50% of the contract cost, with a reimbursement cap of \$3,500/property.
  - Group of 3-4 landowners: 60% of the contract cost, with a reimbursement cap \$3,500/property
  - Group of 5-8 landowners: 75%, with a reimbursement cap of \$3,500/property
- Only items listed in the Property Evaluation Form will be reimbursed, upon submission of receipts and successful follow-up inspection. \_\_\_\_\_
9. I agree to and will insure that the contractor follows all the tree removal specifications as listed on the Property Evaluation Form and the Minimum Fuels Reduction Standards. If the specifications listed are not followed, I understand I will not be reimbursed for the fuels reduction work my contractor or I have completed. \_\_\_\_\_

I/We certify that I/we have full authority to sign this agreement form on behalf of all persons with an interest in the property described on this form. I/we understand that if I/we do not adhere to all the items above, that High Country RC&D Area, Inc. is not required to make reimbursement.

**THE BELOW-SIGNED HOMEOWNER(S) AGREE TO RELEASE THE HIGH COUNTRY RC&D AND ITS EMPLOYEES AND CONTRACTORS FROM LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE TO PERSONS OR PROPERTY, AND TO DEFEND, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS HIGH COUNTRY, ITS EMPLOYEES AND CONTRACTORS FROM ANY AND ALL CLAIS, DAMAGES AND LIABILTIES ARISING OR ALLEDGEDLY ARISING OR RELATED TO THE SUBJECT OF THIS AGREEMENT OR TO MY PARTICIPATION IN THE HIGH COUNTRY RC&D'S DEFENSIBLE SPACE FUEL REDUCTION PROGRAM.**

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Owner Signature

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Owner Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

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Owner Signature

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Printed Name

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Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
WUI Forester

\_\_\_\_\_  
High Country Executive Coordinator

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

<b>Office Use Only</b>	
Payment made to:	
Date:	
Amount:	
Check #:	
G/L Code	