

Managing My Forest – Where do I begin?

Did the property recently burn?

Yes

Do you have a significant amount of large, standing dead trees? (e.g. Douglas fir)

Yes

No

[NRCS](#) can develop a Tree Mortality Plan for eligible USDA Farm Bill Program applicants to determine the next steps to improving forest health. Financial assistance may be available *

You should contact a Registered Professional Forester (RPF) to develop a Salvage Logging Plan

- Make sure you discuss with the RPF that you would like to do the logging to improve forest health and reduce fire hazard, not just to sell merchantable timber
- The RPF will contact the necessary agencies to acquire permits and can help you in selecting contractors such as a Licensed Timber Operator and a mill.

Following a timber harvest, it is recommended that you develop a Forest Management Plan (FMP) to address long term forest health goals. A FMP can be developed by a RPF or by contacting your local RCD or NRCS office. Financial assistance may be available*

Local Contacts

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No

A Forest Management Plan (FMP) is needed to assess the current forest stand condition and outline management goals

Is the property less than 50 acres?

Yes

No

You will need to hire a Registered Professional Forester (RPF) to develop the FMP. Financial assistance may be available*

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*Current financial incentive programs:

- To hire a RPF to complete a FMP:
- CAL FIRE CA Forest Improvement Program (CFIP)
- USDA NRCS Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) Conservation Activity Plan (CAP) 106
- To implement conservation practices recommended in your FMP or Tree Mortality Plan:
- USDA NRCS Farm Bill Programs such as EQIP
- Rebuild North Bay (NBFIP)
- CAL FIRE CA Forest Improvement Program (CFIP)
- Financial incentives from all programs are available on a competitive basis and pending current year funding