

Grantee: California

Grant: B-13-DS-06-0001

April 1, 2026 thru June 30, 2026 Performance Report

Grant Number: B-13-DS-06-0001	Obligation Date:	Award Date:
Grantee Name: California	Contract End Date: 09/30/2029	Review by HUD: Submitted - Await for Review
Grant Award Amount: \$70,359,459.00	Grant Status: Active	QPR Contact: Rukshana Begum
LOCCS Authorized Amount: \$70,359,459.00	Estimated PI/RL Funds: \$0.00	
Total Budget: \$70,359,459.00		

Disasters:

Declaration Number

No Disasters Found

Narratives

Executive Summary:

The 2013 Rim Fire destroyed 257,314 acres of land in Tuolumne County and ranks as the third largest wildfire in State history. The fire burned for over two months through large portions of the Stanislaus National Forest, threatening surrounding communities and damaging the critical watershed for local communities, the San Joaquin Valley, and San Francisco (City/County). Unfortunately, the Rim Fire is not an isolated incident. In 2016, a total of 2,986 fires consumed 564,835 California acres. Despite a record snowfall, 2,134 fires have consumed 22,817 acres in California during the period between January 1 and June 18, 2017.

The Rim Fire's direct emergency response cost was \$127 million and estimates of environmental damage range up to \$736 million. In September 2015, the Valley and Butte Fires burned over 145,000 acres, destroyed 2,728 structures and resulted in 7 deaths. California's prolonged severe drought and related epidemic tree mortality magnifies risk, coupled with 2017's above average rain and snow fall levels which creates fuel loading grasses and vegetation that can readily be ignited in summer thunderstorms.

Fires have serious consequences for local communities, including public health impacts, property damage, and economic disruption. They also threaten the backbone watersheds of the State's water system; sixty percent of the State's water supply originates in California's Sierra Nevada region.

The Community and Watershed Resilience Program (CWRP) provides an innovative, revenue-generating, scalable, and replicable model for similar regions throughout California and the western United States. Developed in partnership with federal and local government agencies, community organizations, and private business, the CWRP is built around partnerships and practices designed to overcome the financial and institutional barriers to sustainable, healthy forests and watersheds. The CWRP will also facilitate the transition to a sustainable forest economy in our rural communities.

The State of California's Community and Watershed Health Resilience Program is composed of activities in three complementary pillars: 1). Forest and Watershed Health Project (FWHP) five activities include: fuels reduction and biomass removal, noxious weed abatement, rangeland infrastructure restoration, fuel break expansions, and reforestation within the Rim Fire burn area, designed to improve forest and watershed health and resilience against disturbances; 2). The Biomass Utilization Fund ("BUF") will provide low cost financing to economic development projects that utilize low value forest waste removed from local forests to assist in reducing wildfire fuel loads. The BUF program will also provide financing for public facility projects that are able to install and utilize alternative energy generation; and 3). Up to two Community Resilience Centers, designed to increase community resilience by providing year round services, including education and job training to support forest and watershed work and the biomass facility. These facilities will be a model for serving rural communities.

HUD granted a limited waiver modifying 42 U.S.C. 5305(c)(2)(A)(i) to the extent necessary to permit the state to use a percentage of not less than 38 percent to qualify activities under the low-and moderate-income area benefit national objective in the August 7, 2017 Federal Register Notice. The demographics of the declared disaster (MID URN) area, includes a high population of seasonal residents and retirees. The area lacks access to education and jobs, 14.5% of the county residents live in poverty, 12% have not completed high school and 51% of the county households are over age 60.

Completed Activity: 17-NDR-04d NDR Biomass Utilization Fund . Reduced the budget obligation to \$143,864.10 to match the total funds drawn, Marked the activity completed in DRGR. 3-29-2026

Completed Activity: NDR-Adm-GCR/Civix NDR Civix Administartion. Reduces the budget allocation to \$843,942.51 to match the total funds drawn. Marked the activity completed in DRGR. 3-29-2026

* Added \$233,468.39 from the de-obligated amount from the two activities and added it to HCD Admin. Obligations were adjusted during the close out process .

MID-URN Areas:

MID-URN AREAS: The Target Area includes the Rim Fire burn and evacuation and evacuation warning areas (Rim Fire Burn Scar, Evacuation Areas) in Census Tracts 06109002200, 06109004100, 06109003100, 06109003200, 06109004200. The State is incorporating resilience and replicability for forest and watershed health activities. This includes, creating fuel

breaks, reforestation, biomass removal, rangeland improvements and noxious weed treatments to reestablish carbon storage in living trees, help prevent future fires, reduce invasive species, and provide jobs and revenue to help build a strong rural economy.

The BUF will provide low cost financing to economic development and public facility projects that provide a marketable end-use for biomass removed from within the county, lessen Tuolumne County’s reliance on imported energy, reducing greenhouse gases, and producing jobs in the region.

The Community Resilience Centers (CRCs) will provide social resilience to Tuolumne and surrounding counties. Tuolumne County is a regional leader in responding to disasters, with the region’s only food bank and major evacuation center. Therefore, during emergencies in neighboring counties, they often turn to Tuolumne County for support. The proposed resilience centers will be located in communities selected with input from the residents in the County.

The Rim Fire destroyed permanent public infrastructure, including the ingress egress road systems, as well as erosion and landslides that undermine the integrity of the system and wear and tear from ongoing fire recovery efforts have caused additional damage. The Rim Fire destroyed rangelands, fencing, and water troughs that had been in use by cattle ranchers under long-term agreements with the USFS and now prevents grazing in the forest.

The damage from the Rim Fire has long-lasting effects well beyond the forests. Local communities, which are closely linked to the health of forests through timber, wood products, the recreation industry and tourism, continue to suffer from the business losses and closures caused by the fire, the direct public health impacts, and depressed property values. Damage to downstream water storage and supply, as well as the long-term implications for carbon storage, all have global effects.

From a regional perspective, the Target Area has experienced regular wildfire events, as shown in the Tuolumne Burn History Map. The 1987 Complex Fire burned 157,000 acres in Tuolumne County, much of which burned again in the Rim Fire. Natural regeneration of trees following wildfires that burn as hot as the Complex and Rim fires is often insufficient, resulting in conversion from forest to grass and shrub lands, which are more susceptible to high severity fires and store substantially less carbon than healthy forests. (Maps identified in this section are located in the NDRC application, which is posted on the State of California’s Department of Housing and Community Development NDR website.)

Key Agencies, Partners, Positions, Personnel:

Awardee:
State of California Department of Housing and Community Development
Division of Federal Financial Assistance
Jenny Cho, Acting Deputy Director
Jenny Cho, Assistant Deputy Director
Jessica Hayes, Disaster Recovery Branch Chief
Susan Naramore, Specialist II

Current Primary Project Management and Implementation Responsibilities:
California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) Susan Naramore, HCD Specialist II
Technical Assistance and Collaborative Project Partnerships between federal, state and local agencies:
The Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC):
Angela Avery, Executive Officer
Alex Geritz and Bob Kingman, NDRC Project Coordinators

Fuel Break Activities:
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protections (CAL FIRE) Matthew Reischman, Assistant Deputy Director

Community Resilience Center:
Tuolumne County
Maureen Frank, Deputy County Administrator

United States Forest Service
Michael Jow, Rim Fire Restoration Coordinator

California Conservation Corp
Amy Cameron, Chief Deputy Director

Overall	This Report Period	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources	\$233,468.39	\$70,359,459.00
Total Budget	\$233,468.39	\$70,359,459.00
Total Obligated	\$233,468.39	\$70,359,459.00
Total Funds Drawdown	\$641,778.36	\$70,125,990.61
Program Funds Drawdown	\$641,778.36	\$70,125,990.61
Program Income Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received	\$0.01	\$0.01
Total Funds Expended	\$641,778.36	\$65,574,908.07
HUD Identified Most Impacted and Distressed	\$641,778.36	\$66,156,283.35
Other Funds	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Match Funds	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Non-Match Funds	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

Funds Expended

Overall	This Period	To Date
CA Attorney General	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
State of California - HCD/CDBG	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
State of California ¿ CDBG-NDR Program	\$ 641,778.36	\$ 1,598,222.55
The Beck Group, Inc.	\$ 0.00	\$ 172,755.00
United States Forest Service	\$ 0.00	\$ 23,421,317.24
California Conservation Corps	\$ 0.00	\$ 246,412.25
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection	\$ 0.00	\$ 88,519.00
Civix-GCR Inc.	\$ 0.00	\$ 847,614.55
County of Tuolumne	\$ 0.00	\$ 19,079,760.30
HELIX Environmental Planning, Inc.	\$ 0.00	\$ 329,940.00
Rural Community Assistance Corporation	\$ 0.00	\$ 18,926,555.02
Sierra Nevada Conversancy	\$ 0.00	\$ 863,812.16
State of California - CDBG Administration	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

Progress Toward Required Numeric Targets

Requirement	Target	Projected	Actual
Overall Benefit Percentage	38.00%	60.26%	60.26%
Overall Benefit Amount	\$24,988,807.64	\$39,626,927.19	\$39,626,927.19
Minimum Supporting Leverage	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
Minimum Direct Leverage	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
Limit on Public Services	\$10,553,918.85	\$.00	\$.00
Limit on Admin/Planning	\$14,071,891.80	\$4,599,438.90	\$4,365,970.51
Limit on Admin	\$.00	\$3,536,337.90	\$3,302,869.51
Most Impacted and Distressed	\$70,359,459.00	\$69,953,235.61	\$66,156,283.35

Overall Progress Narrative:

In the 2nd quarter of 2026 HCD proceed with completion of the program Story Map and closeout of the overall grant.
The Story Map will serve as a public facing, interactive, overview of the accomplishments of the HCD NDR grant.

Project Summary

Project #, Project Title	This Report	To Date	
	Program Funds Drawdown	Project Funds Budgeted	Program Funds Drawdown
17-NDR-01, NDR Administration	\$641,778.36	\$3,536,337.90	\$3,302,869.51
17-NDR-02, Community Resilience Centers	\$0.00	\$18,685,318.48	\$18,685,318.48
17-NDR-03, NDR Forest & Watershed Health	\$0.00	\$26,133,092.91	\$26,133,092.91
17-NDR-04, NDR-Biomass Utilization Fund	\$0.00	\$22,004,709.71	\$22,004,709.71
9999, Restricted Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NDR-LTC, Long-Term Commitments	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NDR-OV, NDR Outcome Values	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NDR-SL, Supporting Leverage	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Activities

Project # /	17-NDR-01 / NDR Administration
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Grantee Activity Number: NDR- Adm - HCD

Activity Title: NDR - Adm- HCD

Activity Type:	Activity Status:
Administration	Under Way
Project Number:	Project Title:
17-NDR-01	NDR Administration
Projected Start Date:	Projected End Date:
01/31/2017	02/28/2027
Benefit Type:	Completed Activity Actual End Date:
N/A	
National Objective:	Responsible Organization:
NA	State of California & CDBG-NDR Program

Overall	Apr 1 thru Jun 30, 2026	To Date
Total Projected Budget from All Sources	\$233,468.39	\$1,833,570.57
Total Budget	\$233,468.39	\$1,833,570.57
Total Obligated	\$233,468.39	\$1,833,570.57
Total Funds Drawdown	\$641,778.36	\$1,600,102.18
Program Funds Drawdown	\$641,778.36	\$1,600,102.18
Program Income Drawdown	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Income Received	\$0.01	\$0.01
Total Funds Expended	\$641,778.36	\$1,598,222.55
State of California & CDBG-NDR Program	\$641,778.36	\$1,598,222.55
Most Impacted and Distressed Expended	\$641,778.36	\$1,598,222.55

Activity Description:

General administration activity tasks required for HCD to complete NDR reporting to HUD along with overseeing compliance and monitoring work required for all NDR activities.

HCD completed their administrative support of the NDR grant during Q1 2026. This included support for the closeout of final activities, reconciliation of budgets in the system of record, and the final organization of program files.

Location Description:

County of Tuolumne census tracts are reflected in the following list of type; code; name; and sheets:

TRACT;06109001100;11;1 TRACT;06109001200;12;1 TRACT;06109002100;21;1 TRACT;06109002200;22;1 TRACT;06109003100;31;1 TRACT;06109003200;32;1 TRACT;06109004100;41;1 TRACT;06109004200;42;1 TRACT;06109005100;51;1 TRACT;06109005201;52.01;1 TRACT;06109985202;9852.02;1

Activity Progress Narrative:

In Q2, with all activities closed out, HCD initiated full grant closeout. HCD is actively reconciling across all internal financial systems, reviewing files to ensure they are complete records of all program accomplishments, and completing HUD required closeout documentation. HCD intends to submit final closeout in DRGR with the Q3 QPR.

Accomplishments Performance Measures

No Accomplishments Performance Measures

Beneficiaries Performance Measures

No Beneficiaries Performance Measures found.

Activity Locations

No Activity Locations found.

Other Funding Sources

No Other Funding Sources Found

Other Funding Sources Budgeted - Detail

No Other Match Funding Sources Found

Activity Supporting Documents: None

Monitoring, Audit, and Technical Assistance

Event Type	This Report Period	To Date
Monitoring, Audits, and Technical Assistance	1	10
Monitoring Visits	0	8
Audit Visits	0	0
Technical Assistance Visits	1	2
Monitoring/Technical Assistance Visits	0	0
Report/Letter Issued	0	8