



## PROJECT NEWS - August 22, 2019

### New Fire Adapted 50 working map & Western Caucus briefing

Fire Adapted 50 (FA50) came about through joint strategic planning by the Eldorado National Forest and CAL FIRE-AEU after the 2014 King Fire. It involves collaborative "All Lands" fuel reduction in 3 areas of the Highway 50 corridor and is an important part of the SOFAR Cohesive Strategy.

A new Fire Adapted 50 map was developed for a briefing that was part of a congressional field trip hosted by the Western Caucus Foundation last week. The briefing was given by Laurence Crabtree, Forest Supervisor, Eldorado National Forest; Tom Tinsley, Unit Forester, CAL FIRE Amador El Dorado Unit; Dan Corcoran, Director of Operations, El Dorado Irrigation District; Tim Tate, Southern Sierra Area Manager, Sierra Pacific Industries; and Mark Egbert, District Manager, El Dorado County & Georgetown Divide Resource Conservation Districts.

Fire Adapted 50 is a great example of shared stewardship and active forest management that is using all available tools to get work done as efficiently as possible: (1) Good Neighbor Authority and Master Stewardship Agreements; (2) the Healthy Forest Restoration Act categorical exclusion for wildfire resilience projects; (3) CEQA exemptions; and (4) joint NEPA-CEQA environmental analysis.

The Fire Adapted 50 map is available on the Eldorado National Forest website [here](#).

**\*\*NOTE: This working map includes planning areas which are subject to change.\*\***

## **PLANNING IN PROGRESS:**

The Forest Service portion of the Sly Park Projects (Phase 1) and the Camino-Pollock Pines Fuel Break (Phase 2) are in the environmental planning process now.

[Sly Park Fuels Reduction Project](#) - decision memo coming soon!

[Camino-Pollock Pines Fuel Break](#) - scoping & community meeting coming soon!

BEST AVAILABLE STATS TO DATE:

### **Phase 1 - Sly Park Projects**

- 55% FS = 2,995 acres
- 45% Non-federal = 2,419 acres

TOTAL: 5,414 acres

### **Phase 2 - Camino-Pollock Pines Fuel Break**

- 46% FS = approx. 1,000 acres
- 54% Non-Federal = approx. 1,165 acres

TOTAL: 2,165 acres

### **Phase 3 - Highway 50 Fuel Break** - (Pollock Pines to Echo Summit)

- 62% FS
- 38% Non-federal
- TOTAL: 37.5 miles
  
- SEE ALSO:
- [FA50 - Sly Park Projects Brochure](#)
- [El Dorado County Community Wildfire Protection Plan](#)
- [South Fork American River \(SOFAR\) Cohesive Strategy](#)

**What is the Western Caucus?**

<https://westerncaucus.house.gov/>

**What is the Western Caucus Foundation?**

<http://westerncaucusfoundation.org/>

**What was the 2019 Western Roundtable and Field Tour?**

<http://westerncaucusfoundation.org/laketahoe/>

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