**Community Resiliency Investment Program**

**2024 FireSmart Community Funding and Supports**

**Application Form**

The 2024 FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program will have an open intake. Funding permitting, eligible applicants can submit one application between October 1, 2023 and September 30, 2024.

Please complete and return the application form in advance of the deadline**.** All questions must be answered by typing directly in this form. **As all questions are reviewed and scored as part of the adjudication process, please do not leave any questions blank.**

If you have any questions, contact cri@ubcm.ca or (604) 270-8226 ext. 220.

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| **SECTION 1: Applicant Information** | **Application #:**       |
| Name of Local Government or First Nation:       | Complete Mailing Address:       |
| Contact Person\*:       | Position:       |
| Phone:       | E-mail:       |
| Secondary Contact Person\*:       | Position:       |
| Phone:       | E-mail:       |

*\* Contact person must be an authorized representative of the applicant (i.e. staff member or elected official).*

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| **SECTION 2: Type of Application** –Please identify the type of application you are submitting and provide the required information. Refer to Section 4 in the [*Program and Application Guide*](https://www.ubcm.ca/cri) for eligibility. |
| * + - 1. **Type of Application** (select one only)**:**

First Nation applicants and municipalities must choose to apply either as a single applicant (i.e. no sub-applicants) or as either a primary or sub-applicant in a regional project**:**[ ]  Single applicant (i.e. no sub-applicants)[ ]  Primary applicant in a regional application. Please list all of sub-applicants included in this application:      Regional Districts must choose to apply as a:[ ]  Single applicant (i.e. no sub-applicants) with or without electoral area(s).[ ]  Primary applicant in a regional application. Please list all of sub-applicants included in this application:      [ ]  Primary applicant in a regional application with electoral area(s). Please list all of sub-applicants and electoral areas included in this application:       |
| * + - 1. **Rationale for Regional Projects** (only)**.**  Please provide a rationale for submitting a regional project application and describe how this approach will support cost-efficiencies in the total funding request.

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| **SECTION 3: Project Summary** |
| * + - 1. **Project Information**

A. Project Title:       B. Proposed start and end dates. Start:       End:       |
| * + - 1. **Project Summary.** Please provide a summary of your project in 150 words or less.

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| * + - 1. **Project Cost & Funding Request:**

A. Total project funding request:      *Please ensure this amount matches the Total 2024 Funding Request on the Summary Tab of the Worksheet.*B. Other funding: Have you applied for or received funding for this project from other sources? If yes, please provide details below.      |

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| **SECTION 4: Wildfire Risk & Additional Evidence** |
| * + - 1. **A. WUI Wildfire Risk Class.** What is the WUI Risk Class (1 – 5) for the general area of interest of your community or proposed activities, including the WUI polygon name, from the risk class map? Refer to Appendix 2 of the [*Program & Application Guide*](https://www.ubcm.ca/cri/firesmart-community-funding-supports).

Risk Class:       WUI Polygon name:      **B. Additional Evidence.** If local assessments provide additional evidence of higher wildfire risk than the WUI Risk Class, provide specific evidence of wildfire risk (reference to specific page of a CWRP/CWPP).     **C. Risk Category** For the purpose of FireSmart Community Funding and Supports grants, identify the risk category that you are applying under:[ ]  Lower risk of wildfire (base grant of up to $100,000 per year for up to two years)[ ]  Higher risk of wildfire (base grant of up to $200,000 per year for up to two years)  |

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| **SECTION 5: FireSmart Components and Eligibility Criteria** |
| * + - 1. **Progress to Date.**  If you were approved for funding under previous rounds of the FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program, please indicate what activities your community has not yet completed but will be undertaking.

2021 project:      2022 project:      2023 project:       |
| * + - 1. **Required FireSmart Components.** Starting in 2024, it will be required for all applicants to have the following FireSmart components developed/active in their community.

CWRPs and CWPPs must be complete and acceptable to the BCWS, FNESS and/or, where applicable, BC Parks. To be considered acceptable, CWRPs must be developed in accordance with the template and guidance document and must include assessment and identification of FireSmart and fuel management priorities.[ ]  FireSmart Position: Title of position(s), length position has been in place, general duties) [ ]  Community Wildfire Resiliency Plan or CWPP (if not previously submitted to UBCM, submit plan): Type of plan and date [ ]  Community FireSmart & Resiliency Committee: Host or participant, participating agencies If you do not have one or more of the required FireSmart components in place, please provide a clear rationale:      |
| **SECTION 5: Engagement and Partnerships** |
| * + - 1. **Engagement with First Nations and/or Indigenous Organizations.** In the following questions, please identify the specific bands, Treaty First Nations and/or Indigenous organizations that were engaged in advance of submitting the application as well as the specific traditional territory, reserve or other First Nations’ land that may be impacted by the proposed project(s).
1. Which First Nations and/or Indigenous organizations were engaged as part of the development of this application?

     1. Which First Nations and/or Indigenous organizations will participate in the proposed activities and what specific role will they play?

     1. Please indicate the extent to which staff and/or elected officials have undertaken Indigenous Cultural Safety and Cultural Humility Training

     *If applicable, please submit evidence of support for the proposed activities from First Nations and/or Indigenous organizations identified above. This could be in the form of a letter, email or other correspondence.*  |
| * + - 1. **Partnerships & Collaboration.**
1. Describe how the proposed project will contribute to a comprehensive, cooperative, and regional approach to wildfire risk reduction:

     1. Where applicable, please describe the extent to which Provincial Crown Land Manager(s) (BC Parks, Mountain Resorts, Natural Resource District Manager and/or Recreation Sites and Trails) and/or other land managers (e.g. Indigenous Services Canada) have been advised of the proposed activities.

     *If applicable, please submit evidence of support for the proposed activities from the Provincial Crown Land Manager or other land manager identified above. This could be in the form of a letter, email or other correspondence.* |
| * + - 1. **Additional Information.** Please share any other information you think may help support your submission**.**

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| **SECTION 6: Application Check List** |
| Required Submissions | Related Attachments |
| [ ]  Application Form | [ ]  Completed CWRP or CWPP (if not previously submitted)  |
| [ ]  Worksheet 1: Proposed FireSmart Activities  | [ ]  Approval from SPCO (if applying for Phase 2, 3 or 4) for FireSmart structure protection equipment[ ]  List of proposed training with cost calculation and estimate for each FireSmart position[ ]  Completed FireSmart Assessment(s) for eligible FireSmart Projects for Critical Infrastructure[ ]  Completed FireSmart Assessment(s) for eligible FireSmart Projects for Community Assets[ ]  Completed Prescription Checklist and FireSmart Assessment(s) for eligible FireSmart Projects for Culturally Significant Sites[ ]  Completed Prescription Checklist and FireSmart Assessment(s) for eligible FireSmart Projects for Green Spaces[ ]  In cases where critical infrastructure, community assets or culturally significant sites are located on Provincial Crown Land confirmation that the proposed activities are supported will be required from Provincial Crown Land Manager (BC Parks, Mountain Resort Branch, Natural Resource District and/or Recreation Sites and Trails) at the time of application submission. |
| [ ]  Worksheet 2: Proposed Fuel Management Activities | [ ]  For fuel management treatment on Provincial Crown Land only, an email from the Land Manager indicating information sharing with First Nations has been completed[ ]  Overview map of the community, previously completed treatments, proposed treatments for this application, and planned future treatments[ ]  PDF map and Google Earth compatible KML file, at appropriate scale, outlining the area of interest, proposed treatment units, land status and tenure overlaps[ ]  If available, current wildfire threat assessment plots and/or fuel loading data and rationale for the proposed treatment unit(s)[ ]  For fuel management treatment only, a copy of the completed, signed prescription and project spatial layer[ ]  For cultural burning and prescribed fire only, a copy of the completed burn plan (in addition to the prescription) and project spatial layer |
| [ ]  Worksheet 3: Proposed New/Updated CWRP | [ ]  PDF map and Google Earth compatible KML file, at appropriate scale, outlining the area of interest and eligible WUI.[ ]  In cases where the eligible WUI is outside of the AOI, confirmation that the proposed risk assessments activities are supported will be required at the time of application submission from Provincial Crown Land Manager (BC Parks, Mountain Resort Branch, Natural Resource District and/or Recreation Sites and Trails), other land managers (e.g. Indigenous Services Canada, local government) and/or First Nations (where overlap on reserves and/or traditional territories may exist).[ ]  In cases where the eligible WUI includes Private Managed Forest Land (PMFL), confirmation that the proposed risk assessments activities are supported will be required at the time of application submission from the PMFL |
| [ ]  Worksheet 4: Additional Funding for Applicants Impacted by 2023 Wildfires | * Worksheet 4 can be submitted with the application or at a later date.
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| [ ]  Council, Board or Band Council resolution, indicating support for the current proposed activities and willingness to provide overall grant management. |
| [ ]  For regional projects only: Council, Board or Band Council resolution, from each sub-applicant that clearly states approval for the applicant to apply for, receive and manage the grant funding on their behalf. |
| Submit the completed Application Form and all required related attachments as e-mail attachments to cri@ubcm.ca and note “**2024 CRI**” in the subject line. Submit your application as either a Word or PDF file(s). If you submit by e-mail, hardcopies and/or additional copies of the application are not required. |

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| **SECTION 7: Signature** –Applications are required to be signed by an authorized representative of the applicant. Please note application materials may be shared with the Province of BC, First Nations’ Emergency Services Society and the BC FireSmart Committee. |
| I certify that: (1) to the best of my knowledge, all information is accurate, (2) the area covered by the proposed project is within the applicant’s jurisdiction (or appropriate approvals are in place) and (3) we understand that this project may be subject to a compliance audit under the program.Further, for all proposed activities, I certify that, to the best of my knowledge: all proposed activities meet eligibility and funding requirements as defined in the [2024 Program and Application Guide](https://www.ubcm.ca/cri).Further, for FireSmart Positions, I certify that: (1) I have read and understand the recommended Job Description(s) and (2) the primary focus of the position will be to support eligible FireSmart activities but that other activities related to emergency management (i.e. EOC, ESS, evacuations), structural fire and/or forestry (i.e. Indigenous Guardians) are eligible as no more than 20% of job duties. |
| Name:       | Title:       |
| Signature\*:      *A certified digital or original signature is required.* | Date:       |

*\* Signatory must be an authorized representative of the applicant (i.e. staff member or elected official).*