

Community Resiliency Investment Program

2026 FireSmart™ Community Funding and Supports

Application-based Funding for Fuel Management Activities

Program and Application Guide – Updated September 2025

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1. Introduction

The 2026 FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program will have an open intake. [Funding permitting](#), eligible applicants can submit one application between October 1, 2025 and September 30, 2026 using the [LGPS Online Application Tool](#). Applicants are encouraged to engage with the BC Wildfire Service and/or First Nations' Emergency Services Society while at the initial planning stages of their application.

Community Resiliency Investment program

The [Community Resiliency Investment](#) (CRI) program was announced by the provincial government in 2018 and is intended to reduce the risk of wildfires and mitigate their impacts on communities, First Nations and local governments.

As of September 2025, CRI includes two streams:

- Stream 1: FireSmart Community Funding and Supports, administered by the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM):
 - FireSmart Activities (Base Funding): limited to FireSmart activities and Community Wildfire Resiliency Plan (CWRPs)
 - *New in 2026* - Additional Funding for Fuel Management
- Stream 2: [Crown Land Wildfire Risk Reduction](#), allocation-based program administered internally by the Ministry of Forests.

Please refer to [Appendix 1](#) for definitions of terms used in this guide. All defined terms are in **bold** in the program guide.

FireSmart Community Funding and Supports

The FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program provides funding to First Nations and local governments in BC to increase community resiliency by undertaking community-based FireSmart™¹ planning and activities that reduce the community's risk from wildfire. To date, 280 eligible applicants have received funding, including 132 First Nations and 148 local governments.

The First Nations' Emergency Services Society (FNESS) and the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) work with the Ministry of Forests (Ministry) to deliver the FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program.

Application-Based Funding for Fuel Management Activities

For the purpose of the FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program, fuel management activities are required to be:

- Within the **Eligible WUI**.
- Within municipal boundaries, regional district parks or **First Nations land**.
- Generally outside of the FireSmart Home Ignition Zone Extended Zone (30 m from homes and structures).



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Contiguous, logical treatment units that extend onto **Provincial Crown Land** may be considered for funding provided that treatment units originate within municipal boundaries, regional district parks or **First Nations land** and extend no further than one-kilometre from the structure density class greater than 6.

New in 2026 - Fuel management activities located on **Provincial Crown Land** within the **Eligible WUI** that do not originate within municipal boundaries, regional district parks or **First Nations land** may be considered for funding with rationale and support from BCWS

Fuel management activities located exclusively on **Provincial Crown Land**, outside of municipal boundaries, regional district parks or **First Nations land**, require collaboration with the Crown Land Wildfire Risk Reduction program.

Eligible applicants are strongly encouraged to engage with BCWS or FNESS as early as possible when considering fuel management activities. Depending on the location and proposed activities, **FireSmart vegetation management**, for example in **green spaces** or for **cultural sites**, may be an option instead of fuel management activities.

Refer to [Appendix 2](#) for more information on prescriptions, burn plans, and treatments, including cultural burning and prescribed fire.

2. Eligible Applicants for Application-based Funding for Fuel Management

All First Nations (bands, modern Treaty First Nations with treaties that are in effect, and Indigenous National Governments with authority for lands and resources) and local governments (municipalities and regional districts) in BC that meet the following criteria are eligible to apply:

- Have an approved 2026 application under Application-based Funding for FireSmart Activities or Allocation-based Funding for FireSmart Activities, either as a **primary applicant** or **sub-applicant**
- Have the required FireSmart foundations (refer to Section 5 of the [2026 FireSmart Community Funding and Supports Application-based funding Program Guide](#))

Eligible applicants can submit one application for Application-based Funding for Fuel Management per funding stream intake.

For the purpose of the FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program the following are also able to act as a **primary applicant**:

- An emergency management organization that is created by a regional district bylaw and approved by the Province of BC may act as the primary applicant on behalf of eligible applicants that participate in the established emergency management service. When acting as a **primary applicant** on behalf of eligible applicants, the regional emergency management organization may submit more than one application per funding stream intake provided that each eligible First Nation or local government that is included as a **sub-applicant** is only funded once per intake.
- An Indigenous governing body with authority for emergency management may act as the **primary applicant** on behalf of eligible First Nations. The Indigenous governing body may submit more than one application per funding stream intake provided that each eligible First Nation that is included as a **sub-applicant** is only funded once per intake.

Emergency management organizations created by a regional district and Indigenous governing bodies that are interested in submitting an application to act as the **primary applicant** must contact UBCM first and will be required to provide appropriate documentation related to membership, authority, and area of service.

3. Grant Maximum for Application-based Funding for Fuel Management Activities

In order to ensure transparency and accountability in the expenditure of public funds, all other financial contributions for eligible portions of the project must be declared and, depending on the total value, may decrease the value of the grant. This includes any other grant funding and any revenue (e.g., sale of forest products) that is generated from activities that are funded by the FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program.

Funding for Fuel Management Activities

Updated September 2025 - Eligible applicants may apply for either one-year or two-year funding for fuel management activities. Grant maximums are generally based on per year funding, however, in the case of two-year funding, approved applicants are able to expend grant funds for fuel management activities over the duration of the **approved project**.

There are four options to apply for funding for fuel management activities.

1. Applications that include eligible fuel management activities within the **Eligible WUI on First Nations land or publicly owned land** may apply for up to \$100,000 per year.
2. Applications that include eligible fuel management activities within the **Eligible WUI on First Nations land or publicly owned land** within municipal boundaries or regional district parks and that include contiguous, logical treatment units that extend onto **Provincial Crown Land** (and extend no further than one-kilometre from the structure density class greater than 6) may apply to exceed the base funding maximum for only the fuel management activities on **Provincial Crown Land**. There is no funding maximum for this additional funding.
3. *New in 2026* - Applications that include fuel management activities located on **Provincial Crown Land** within the **Eligible WUI** that do not originate within municipal boundaries, regional district parks or **First Nations land** may be considered for funding with rationale and support from BCWS. There is no funding maximum for this additional funding.
4. Applications that include eligible fuel management activities within **First Nations land** that has been recently acquired through a Provincial land transfer may apply to exceed the base funding maximum for only the fuel management activities on the government transferred or acquired land. There is no funding maximum for this additional funding.

Please refer to [Table 1](#) for further information on available funding for fuel management activities.

The Indigenous Engagement Requirements Funding Program provides funding for the implementation of the Indigenous Engagement Requirements within the *Emergency and Disaster Management Act*. For more information visit the Province of BC's [website](#) or contact: EMCR.IERFunding@gov.bc.ca.

4. Eligible Projects

To be eligible for funding under the FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program, applications must demonstrate that proposed activities will increase community resiliency by undertaking community-based FireSmart planning and activities that reduce the community's risk from wildfire.

Table 1: Summary of Available Funding for Fuel Management Activities		
Location of fuel management activities	Within \$100,000 limit per year	Additional Funding
Eligible WUI on First Nations land or publicly owned land	Up to \$100,000 per year	
Eligible WUI on First Nations land or publicly owned land and extends onto Provincial Crown Land	Up to \$100,000 for First Nations land and/or publicly owned land portion per year	Additional funding (no maximum for portion on Crown land)
Provincial Crown Land within the Eligible WUI that does not originate within municipal boundaries, regional district parks or First Nations land		Additional funding (no maximum for portion on Crown land)
First Nations land that has been recently acquired through a Provincial land transfer		Additional funding (no maximum)

5. Requirements for Funding

As part of both the development of the application package and the delivery of the **approved project**, local governments are encouraged to proactively engage with local First Nations and Indigenous organizations, such as Friendship Centres and Métis Chartered Communities. Engagement by local governments both locally and regionally can help build relationships with First Nations, benefit both communities and enhance reconciliation. More information on engagement best practices is available following Province of BC webpage: [Local government and First Nations engagement](#).

Eligibility Review by BCWS and/or FNESS

For all applications under the FireSmart Community Funding and Supports application-based funding program, the eligibility screening section of the application worksheet(s) must be completed by the BCWS Wildfire Prevention Officer/Prevention Specialist and/or FNESS Wildfire Resiliency Advisor before the worksheet is submitted:

- Worksheet 1: FireSmart Activities. Refer to [Application-based Funding for FireSmart Activities program guide](#). This is required to be submitted for all applications for base funding.
- Worksheet 2: Fuel Management. An approved 2026 application for FireSmart activities (as a **primary applicant** or **sub-applicant**) is required before a fuel management application can be initiated. For all applications that include activities in BC Parks, applicants are required to review Worksheet 2 with BC Parks. The eligibility screening section must be completed by the BC Parks before the application is submitted
- Worksheet 3: CWRPs. Refer to [Application-based Funding for FireSmart Activities program guide](#). Worksheet 3 is required to be submitted as part of applications for base funding only if the eligible applicant is applying to amend or develop a new CWRP. For all applications that include activities in BC Parks, applicants are required to review Worksheet 3 with BC Parks. The eligibility screening section must be completed by the BC Parks before the application is submitted
- Worksheet 4: Impact by Wildfires. Refer to [Application-based Funding for FireSmart Activities program guide](#). Worksheet 4 can be submitted with an application for base funding, or after base funding has been approved.

Please note that during active fire seasons or other emergency response deployments, BCWS and FNESS capacity will be limited which could affect adjudication timelines.

In addition, to qualify for Application-based Funding for Fuel Management Activities, fuel management activities must:

- Generally speaking, be located within the applicant's administrative boundary, approved to extend onto the Provincial Crown Land and/or for assets or infrastructure that are owned by the primary applicant or sub-applicant.
- Include new activities or represent a new phase of an existing project (retroactive funding is not available unless specifically identified in this guide).
- Be capable of completion by the applicant by the **approved project end date**. Eligible applicants have the option to apply for one-year or two-year funding for fuel management activities. For example:
 - One year funding: Applicant applies to complete prescriptions and/or burn plans, or applicant applies to complete fuel management treatments for treatment units that have completed, acceptable prescriptions and/or burn plans at the time of application.
 - Two-year funding: Applicant applies to complete prescriptions and/or burn plans and to complete fuel management treatments for same treatment units. Under the FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program, this is considered a phased fuel management project and specific conditions will apply.
- Be identified in a current CWRP or Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) acceptable to BCWS, FNESS and/or, where applicable, BC Parks, that includes assessment and identification of FireSmart and fuel management priorities.

New in 2026 – Fuel management activities that are not identified in a current CWRP or CWPP may be considered for funding provided an acceptable CWRP or CWPP exists, the proposed fuel management activities meet the intent of the program, and the activities are supported by FNESS or BCWS.

- Ensure compliance with applicable federal and provincial legislation and regulations and local authority (e.g., burning bylaws or other bylaws or plans).
- Be in alignment with the current [BCWS Fuel Management Prescription Template Guidance](#) and [Best Management Practices for Mastication as a Fuel Management Method in BC \(2024\)](#)
- For activities that fall under the practice of professional forestry, be developed and, where applicable, signed by a forest professional that is accredited by [Forest Professionals BC](#) and operating within their scope of practice.
- Where applicable, for any professional assessments required to obtain authorizations for treatments, be developed and signed by a qualified professional as per the [Professional Governance Act](#).
- Where applicable, be eligible for required approvals for authorizations and/or permits from the **Provincial Crown Land** Manager (BC Parks, Mountain Resort Branch, Natural Resource District and/or Recreation Sites and Trails) and/or other land managers (e.g. Indigenous Services Canada).

6. Eligible and Ineligible Costs and Activities

Fuel management activities are evaluated on a cost per hectare basis and it is expected that projects are undertaken based on the approved cost per hectare. If the approved cost per hectare cannot be achieved, an amendment request must be submitted for approval before fuel management activities commence.

Under the FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program, fuel management activities include the development of fuel management prescriptions and burn plans, as well as fuel management treatments,

including the application of cultural burning and prescribed fire. Applicants are advised to only propose fuel management activities that can be completed within two years.

Eligible costs are direct costs that are approved for funding, properly and reasonably incurred, and paid by the applicant to carry out eligible activities. Unless otherwise noted, eligible costs can only be incurred from the date of application submission until the final report is submitted.

[Table 2](#) identifies the activities that are eligible for funding and provides annual cost maximums for those activities. Refer to the Application Worksheet and Final Report Worksheet for required submissions for each proposed activity.

Updated September 2025 – Costs related to FireSmart positions are eligible under the Application-based Funding for Fuel Management program. However, applicants should carefully review all costs for FireSmart positions that are included in their approved FireSmart application to ensure that costs related to FireSmart positions are distinct between the two funding streams and, when combined, do not exceed the actual salary cost.

Where applicable, applicants are encouraged to collaborate on proposed activities with **Provincial Crown Land** Manager (BC Parks, Mountain Resort Branch, Natural Resource District and/or Recreation Sites and Trails) and/or other land managers (e.g., Indigenous Services Canada).

Applicants are required to propose costs within the cost maximums that reflect local, reasonable estimates. However, with mitigating circumstances (e.g., remote community, forest or fuel type, etc.), applicants can propose costs higher than the maximums if a rationale (e.g., increased debris management costs) is provided and accepted. In all cases, eligible activities must be cost-effective.

Table 2: Activities Eligible for Application-based Funding for Fuel Management Activities

1. ASSESSMENTS AND ENGAGEMENT IN ADVANCE OF FUEL MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

Eligible Activities	Cost Maximum and Guidance
A. Required professional assessments (e.g. geotechnical, archaeological, fire ecologist, biologist, range agrologist, etc.).	Required cost estimate in WS2
B. Engagement with Indigenous knowledge keepers to gather and incorporate cultural knowledge into prescription and burn planning.	Required cost estimate in WS2

2. FUEL MANAGEMENT PRESCRIPTIONS/BURN PLANS

To be eligible for funding, all fuel management activities must be in alignment with the requirements for funding fuel management activities identified in [Appendix 2](#) and based on an informed estimate of the net prescription or burn plan area.

Fuel management prescriptions and/or burn plans that are consistent with:

- *Updated in 2026 - Current BCWS [Fuel Management Prescription Guidance document](#) for **First Nations land, publicly owned land or Provincial Crown Land**, including BC Parks.*
- *Current BCWS **Prescribed Fire** processes and templates including the Burn Plan are available on the [Planning a Burn](#) page. (Note: Authorizations from the Land Manager, and approvals from a BCWS Official are required as per the Burn Plan Signature Sheet).*

Eligible Activities	Cost Maximum and Guidance
A. Activities related to prescription development (e.g. approved Canadian wildfire modelling, pre-burn fire effects monitoring or stakeholder engagement, additional data collection requirements and engaging with burn specialists).	Up to \$515 per hectare with required cost estimate for each line item in WS2. <i>Based on an average size of greater than 20 hectares and assuming fewer hectares may be higher in cost and more hectares may be lower in cost.</i> <i>When applying for funding for prescriptions and burn plans it is expected that the proposed area is based on an informed estimate of the net prescription or burn plan area.</i> <i>For example, water bodies, rock, roads, etc. should be netted out of the proposed area based on desktop review. Only those areas with an expected fuel management treatment and/or prescribed burn should be included in the hectares for prescriptions or burn plans.</i>
B. Activities related to planning, development and implementation of a burn including identification of logical burn boundaries, implementation logistics, values protections, and resource planning.	
C. Information sharing with First Nations , as required by the Land Manager.	
D. Site evaluation (including field reconnaissance, wildfire threat assessments as outlined in the Wildfire Threat Assessment Guide and Worksheets or survey data as outlined in Fuel Management Data Collection Standard) and the evaluation of site access.	
E. Lay out and traversing of proposed areas for treatments.	
F. Preparation of all final report requirements, including maps, spatial data and metadata.	
3. FUEL MANAGEMENT TREATMENT <i>In all cases, a completed, signed prescription is required for all fuel treatments, including cultural burning and prescribed fire. The completed prescription must be submitted with the application, or the applicant is required to apply for a phased project in order to complete the prescription and treatment under the same application. <u>Draft prescriptions will not be accepted.</u></i> <i>To be eligible for funding, all fuel management activities must be in alignment with the requirements for funding fuel management activities identified in Appendix 2.</i>	
Eligible Activities	Cost Maximum and Guidance
A. Undertake new fuel management treatment on First Nations land, publicly owned land or Provincial Crown Land . <u>Eligible costs for new fuel management treatments are limited to:</u> • Pre-treatment activities: activities required to obtain authorizations, danger tree assessments, notification to First Nations and stakeholders, and public engagement activities, including signage and communication materials. • Treatments: pruning, thinning, tree falling, brushing, grazing, reforestation, cultural burning and/or prescribed fire. • Debris management: pile and burning, use of air curtain incinerator, onsite dispersal of masticated woody debris below 2,000 kilowatts per metre, and/or off-site debris disposal.	<i>Note: cost guidance is based on baseline fuel management (e.g. pile burn) costs.</i> Coastal Fire Centre: up to \$14,950 per hectare with required cost estimate in WS2 Prince George Fire Centre: up to \$12,800 per hectare with required cost estimate in WS2 Cariboo, Kamloops, Northwest and Southeast Fire Centres: up to \$8,295 per hectare with required cost estimate in WS2

Eligible Activities (Fuel Management Treatment – Cont'd)	Cost Maximum and Guidance
- Post-treatment activities: - Post-treatment wildfire threat assessments as outlined in the Wildfire Threat Assessment Guide & Worksheets or survey data as outlined in Fuel Management Data Collection Standard. - Post-treatment report with updated survey data collection, summary of post treatments conditions and fire behaviour outcomes and relationship to prescription treatment objectives. - Post-treatment signage. - Preparation of all final report requirements, including maps, spatial data and metadata.	
B. Undertake fuel management maintenance activities on First Nations land, publicly owned land or Provincial Crown Land. Refer to eligible costs for new fuel management <i>Note: If cultural or prescribed fire is intended as a maintenance activity, it must be planned and coordinated in accordance with BCWS standards and procedures. To support successful and feasible implementation, early engagement with experienced burn practitioners is essential during the planning phase.</i>	Up to \$4,095 per hectare with required cost estimate in WS2
C. Off-site debris disposal (trucking, tipping fees, etc.) from new fuel management or maintenance activities.	Up to an additional \$1,795 per hectare with required rationale in WS2
D. Undertake cultural burning or prescribed fire on First Nations land, publicly owned land or Provincial Crown Land when the primary objective is fuel management for community wildfire risk reduction. <u>Eligible costs for cultural burning and/or prescribed fire are limited to:</u> - Burn preparation activities including fire weather index monitoring activities, public notification and preparing black lines. Note: pre-burn costs are eligible costs if no burn window is achieved. - Burn day activities including spot forecasts, equipment set up and transport (may include aerial ignition) and traffic control. - Post-burn activities including post-burn fire effects monitoring, surveys, mop-up and final reporting. A budget estimate based on mop-up requirements within the approved burn plan should be included. Where an increased level of mop-up (e.g. 100%) is required as indicated by the Burn Boss, include a contingency cost estimate as a separate budget line item in preparation of potentially dynamic mop-up conditions.	Up to \$4,095 per hectare with required cost estimate in WS2

Eligible Activities (Fuel Management Treatment – Cont'd)	Cost Maximum and Guidance
- Expenses related to local cultural protocols. - Preparation of all final report requirements, including maps, spatial data and metadata.	
4. FUEL MANAGEMENT DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS	
Eligible Activities	Cost Maximum and Guidance
A. Undertake fuel management demonstration projects (<u>one per eligible applicant per year</u>) including: Develop fuel management prescriptions consistent with the current BCWS Fuel Management Prescription Guidance document.	Up to 25% more than costs for new fuel management activities (by Fire Centre) identified in Row 2A above with required cost estimate in WS2
- Completion of fuel management activities, limited to: First Nations land, publicly owned land or Provincial Crown Land - Locations that are visible and accessible and have rationale (e.g. number of visitors). - Parcel of no more than 5.0 ha. - Educational component. <i>Note: If cultural or prescribed fire is intended as a secondary phase of a fuel management demonstration project, it must be planned and coordinated in accordance with BCWS standards and procedures. To support successful and feasible implementation, early engagement with experienced burn practitioners is essential during the planning phase.</i>	Coastal Fire Centre: up to \$18,690 per hectare Prince George Fire Centre: up to \$15,925 per hectare Cariboo, Kamloops, Northwest and Southeast Fire Centres: up to \$10,395 per hectare

Additional Eligible Costs and Activities

In addition to the activities identified in [Table 2](#), the following expenditures are also eligible provided they relate directly to eligible activities:

- Incremental applicant staff costs (e.g., creating a new position or adding new responsibilities to an existing position). Eligible expenses include wages/salary, mandatory employment related costs as required by federal or provincial law, and other employment related costs as required by the approved applicant.
- Consultant/contractor costs. Please note: if you intend to hire a professional (planner, forester) to support proposed activities, professional consultant rates will only be considered for activities that represent respective professions. For other activities (e.g. social media, planning events or administering rebate programs) consultant rates are expected to be commensurate with the type of activity being undertaken.
- Honoraria for cultural leaders, Elders, Indigenous knowledge keepers, and/or cultural keepers when they are scheduled to speak, present, or teach. Note: these honoraria should reflect the role of Indigenous Peoples as subject matter experts and be equitable to consultant rates.
- Expenses related to local cultural protocols (e.g., gifts, cultural ceremonies).
- Translation costs and the development of culturally appropriate education, awareness, or engagement materials.

- Identification of community and cultural values through engagement. This includes seeking advice from Indigenous Knowledge Holders and other experts (e.g., health authorities, First Nations Health Authority, biologists, etc.) and engaging the community (e.g., equity-denied populations, Indigenous organizations, such as Friendship Centres and Métis Chartered Communities), Indigenous Nations, local governments, agricultural sector, critical infrastructure owners, etc.
- Lease of equipment and/or vehicles (with the exception of trailers or equipment for FireSmart structure protection).
- Presentation to Band Council, or Treaty First Nation government, local government Council, Board, community organizations, etc.
- Public information costs (e.g., workshops, printed materials, prescribed fire signage) that align with the intent of the funding stream and provide benefit to the community at large.

Ineligible Costs and Activities

Any activity that is not outlined in [Table 2](#) or is not directly connected to activities approved in the application is not eligible for grant funding. This includes:

- Routine or ongoing operating and/or planning costs or activities that are not incremental to the project or not directly related to eligible activities.
- Purchase, construction, siting or maintenance of Fire Danger Rating signs.
- For fuel management activities only:
 - Purchase of machinery and/or livestock for grazing.
 - Work undertaken by the Ministry of Forests, including provincial **prescribed fire** staff support.
 - Any third-party requirements to address hazard abatement under the *Wildfire Act*.
 - Hazard abatement activities related to existing or decommissioned saw mills (e.g. removal of slabs and/or sawdust).

7. Application Requirements and Process

The [LGPS Online Application Tool](#) is required to be used. Refer to [Appendix 3](#) for full information.

Application Deadline

The 2026 Application-Based Funding for Fuel Management Activities funding stream will have an open intake. Funding permitting, eligible applicants can submit one application between October 1, 2025 and September 30, 2026.

Applicants will be advised of the status of their application within 120 days of submitting a complete, eligible application.

Required Application Contents

All applicants are required to complete the LGPS Online Application Form and submit an electronic copy of the complete application, as outlined in [Table 3](#):

Submission of Applications

Applications are required to be submitted in two steps prior to the application deadline:

1. [LGPS Online Application Form](#): This online form must be completed for all applications to LGPS funding programs and includes questions that are common to all grant applications. When the LGPS Online Application Form is submitted, the applicant will receive an email confirmation including the file number that has been assigned to the application, and a copy of the Application Worksheet that must be completed as part of Step 2.

2. Application Worksheet: This worksheet contains questions that are specific to the funding stream and must be submitted by email to UBCM with all other required attachments.

Refer to [Appendix 3](#) for more information on this process and the information that will be required to be submitted during each step, including all application questions.

Table 3: Summary of Required Application Contents and Related Attachments <i>Refer to Worksheet 2 and Final Report Worksheet 2 for required submissions for each proposed activity.</i>	
Required Submissions	Related Attachments (as required)
Worksheet 2: Proposed Fuel Management Activities <i>Worksheet 2 is to be used for all fuel management requests.</i> <i>Updated September 2025 - All maps must meet the general requirements for all maps outlined in Section B of Appendix 4.</i>	- For fuel management treatment on Provincial Crown Land only, an email from the Land Manager indicating information sharing with First Nations has been completed. <u>Updated September 2025</u> - Overview Map: PDF map at appropriate scale that includes AOI boundary as identified in current CWRP, Eligible WUI, previously completed fuel management treatments, proposed treatments for this application, and planned future treatments. <u>Updated September 2025</u> - Proposed Fuel Management Activity Map: PDF map at appropriate scale that includes AOI boundary as identified in current CWRP, Eligible WUI, proposed fuel management activity polygon/area, ownership of land (i.e., Provincial Crown land, publicly owned land or First Nations land) and tenure overlaps (i.e., area-based tenures such as community forests and woodlots). <u>Updated September 2025</u> - Google Earth compatible KML file: Proposed Fuel Management Activity boundary. - If available, current wildfire threat assessments as outlined in the Wildfire Threat Assessment Guide & Worksheets or survey data as outlined in Fuel Management Data Collection Standard for proposed treatment units. - For fuel management treatment only, a copy of the completed, signed prescription and project spatial layer. - For cultural burning projects must meet the requirements outlined in Section 60 of the <i>Wildfire Act</i>. Refer to Appendix 2. - For prescribed fire only, a copy of the completed burn plan (in addition to the prescription) and project spatial layer.
Band Council, Treaty First Nation, or local government Council or Board resolution, (<u>or</u> letter of support from Band Manager, CAO or CFO when a single applicant with a request under \$50,000 only), indicating support for the current proposed activities and willingness to provide overall grant management.	

Review of Applications

UBCM will perform a preliminary review of applications to ensure the required application contents have been submitted and to ensure that basic eligibility criteria have been met. Only complete application packages will be reviewed.

Complete, eligible applications (with eligibility screening section completed by BCWS, FNESS and/or BC Parks) will be scored by the local BCWS Wildfire Prevention Officer/Prevention Specialist or FNESS Wildfire Resiliency Advisor. Point values and weighting have been established within each of these scoring criteria. Only those applications that meet a minimum threshold point value will be considered for funding.

Higher application review scores will be given to projects that:

- Align with the intent of the FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program to clearly increase community resiliency by undertaking community-based FireSmart planning and activities that reduce the community's risk from wildfire.
- Demonstrate evidence of local wildfire risk (within the past five years) and rationale for proposed activities. This can include:
 - Wildfire risk class of 1, 2 or 3 for the general area of interest.
 - Current local threat assessments that show wildfire threat in proximity to values at risk within and around the community that have been supported by the BCWS Wildfire Prevention Officer/Prevention Specialist and/or FNESS Wildfire Resiliency Advisor.
 - Demonstrated history of recent repeated and/or significant interface wildfires and evacuations.
- Demonstrate evidence of engagement with First Nations and/or Indigenous organizations in advance of submitting the application and as part of the proposed project (e.g., collaborative planning tables; incorporating First Nation values and perspectives in proposed activities; existing outreach, plans, engagement reports or processes; including First Nation engagement costs in the budget; completion of Indigenous Cultural Safety and Cultural Humility Training).
- Include collaboration with one or more partners (e.g. community or resident organization, First Nation or Indigenous organization, other local governments, industry, or other levels of government).
- Are within cost maximums established in [Table 2](#), demonstrate cost-effectiveness and reflect local, reasonable estimates.
- In cases where the total project cost exceeds the grant request, include **in-kind contributions** to the project from the eligible applicant, community partners or other grant funding.

Point values and weighting have been established within each of these scoring criteria. Only those applications that meet a minimum threshold point value will be considered for funding. Following this, the Evaluation Committee will assess all eligible applications. All funding decisions will be made by UBCM.

All application materials may be shared with the Province of BC, First Nations' Emergency Services Society and FireSmart BC.

8. Grant Management and Applicant Responsibilities

Grants are awarded to eligible applicants only and, as such, the applicant is responsible for completion of the project as approved and for meeting reporting requirements. Applicants are also responsible for proper fiscal management, including maintaining acceptable accounting records for the project. UBCM reserves the right to audit these records.

Notice of Funding Decision and Payments

All applicants will receive written notice of funding decisions. Approved applicants will receive an Approval Agreement, which will include the terms and conditions of any grant that is awarded, and that is required to be signed and returned to UBCM.

Grants are awarded in two payments: 50% at the approval of the project and when the signed Approval Agreement has been returned to UBCM, and the eligible remainder when the project is complete and UBCM has received and approved the required final reporting.

Please note that in cases where revisions are required to an application, or an application has been approved in principle only, the applicant has 30 days from the date of the written notice of the status of the application to complete the application requirements. Applications that are not completed within 30 days may be closed.

Post-Grant Approval Meetings

As a requirement of grant funding, all approved applicants are required to meet with the BCWS Wildfire Prevention Officer/Prevention Specialist or FNESS Wildfire Resiliency Advisor, or designate, to discuss the **approved project** prior to commencing work.

In addition, where applicable, approved applicants are encouraged to meet with the **Provincial Crown Land Manager** (BC Parks, Mountain Resort Branch, Natural Resource District and/or Recreation Sites and Trails) and/or other land managers (e.g. Indigenous Services Canada) to discuss the project prior to commencing work.

Progress Payments

To request a progress payment, approved applicants are required to submit the [Interim Report Form](#). The form will require the following information:

- Description of activities completed to date.
- Description of funds expended to date.
- Written rationale for receiving a progress payment.

Changes to Approved Projects (Amendment Requests)

Approved grants are specific to the project as identified in the approved application, and grant funds are not transferable to other projects. Generally speaking, this means funds cannot be transferred to an activity that was not included in the approved application or, for the purpose of fuel management, to a new or expanded location.

Approval from UBCM and/or the Evaluation Committee will be required for any variation from the **approved project**. Depending on the complexity of the proposed amendment, requests may take up to 120 days to review.

To propose changes to an **approved project**, applicants are required to submit the [Interim Report Form](#). If UBCM determines the amendment is eligible for consideration, applicants will be required to submit:

- Amended application package, including updated, application worksheet(s), and an updated Council, Board or Band Council resolution/letter of support.
- For regional projects only: evidence of support from **sub-applicants** for proposed amendments.
- Written rationale for proposed changes to activities and/or expenditures.

Applicants are responsible for any costs above the approved grant unless a revised application is submitted and approved prior to work being undertaken.

Extensions to Project End Date

All approved activities are required to be completed within the time frame identified in the approval letter and all extensions beyond this date must be requested in writing and be approved by UBCM.

The [Interim Report Form](#) must be submitted for all extension requests over six months.

Extensions will not exceed one year from the date of the original final report deadline. An Interim Report Form will be required at 12 months for all two-year projects.

Recognition of Funding and Funders

When recognizing funding, please state that the FireSmart Community Funding and Supports funding stream is administered by the Union of BC Municipalities and funded by the Province of BC. UBCM is active on X, Bluesky, LinkedIn and Facebook. When possible, please mention or tag UBCM on social media posts that are related to projects that are funded by programs that UBCM administers.

Guidelines on using the BC logo, including downloadable files, are available [here](#).

9. Interim Reporting and Final Report Requirements and Process

Reporting requirements do not apply to any product, data or information which may include Indigenous knowledge. The Ministry of Forests respects the First Nations principles of OCAP®.

Interim Reports for Two Year Projects

An interim report is required at 12 months for all two-year projects.

Updated September 2025 - To meet this requirement, applicants are required to submit the [Interim Report Form](#).

Interim Reporting for Phased Fuel Management

Applicants with phased fuel management projects are required to submit interim reporting before **fuel management treatments** commence.

In addition to interim reporting for two-year projects, interim reporting for phased fuel management includes the following:

- Copy of the fuel management prescription that is signed by a Registered Forest Professional and including all ancillary assessments.
- Copy of the Burn Plan that is signed by the qualified professional (for **prescribed fire** only).
- Confirmation that First Nations information sharing has been completed (for **Provincial Crown Land** only).
- Maps and spatial data as required in [Appendix 4](#).

The prescription and/or burn plan will be reviewed by BCWS, FNESS, and/or BC Parks (where applicable) and must be supported prior to initiation of the fuel management treatment. Treatments that have been initiated prior to an approved technical review may not be eligible for further funding.

Additionally, to obtain authorizations for the treatment, the land manager will require a completed prescription/burn plan and may request additional information.

Final Reports

An electronic copy of the complete final report package is required for all projects.

Updated September 2025 - To meet this requirement, applicants are required to submit the [Fuel Management Final Report Worksheet](#) (and all required attachments as outlined in [Table 4](#)). This will require completion of the Final Report Worksheet and the completion of Worksheet 2.

Submission of Interim Reporting and Final Reports

Interim and final reports should be submitted as Excel, Word, or PDF files. Total file size for email attachments cannot exceed 20 MB.

All interim and final reports should be submitted to Local Government Program Services, Union of BC Municipalities by e-mail: cri@ubcm.ca.

Review of Interim Reporting and Final Reports

All final report materials may be shared with the Province of BC, First Nations' Emergency Services Society, and FireSmart BC. The Province is moving towards a public dashboard that will highlight all plans and proposed/completed **fuel management treatments**. This would include spatial components and attributes and include changes to spatial requirements for CWRPs.

UBCM will perform a preliminary review of all reports to ensure the required report elements have been submitted. Following this, all complete final reports and deliverables will be reviewed by BCWS, FNESS and/or, where applicable, BC Parks before fuel treatments activities can proceed and/or grant payment is released.

Table 4: Summary of Required Final Report Contents and Related Attachments <i>Refer to the Final Report Worksheets for required submissions for each proposed activity.</i>	
Required Submissions	Related Attachments (as required)
Final Report Form	
Final Report Worksheet 2: Fuel Management Activities <i>Updated September 2025 - All maps must meet the general requirements for all maps outlined in Section B of Appendix 4.</i>	<u>Prescriptions, Burn Plans and Phased Projects</u> • Copy of the fuel management prescription that is signed by a Registered Forest Professional including all ancillary assessments. • Copy of the Burn Plan that is signed by the qualified professional. • PDF maps, at appropriate scale, and KMZ files as identified in Appendix 4. • Spatial data for completed prescriptions must be entered into RESULTS and the Activity Treatment Unit ID is required as evidence of a successful RESULTS entry. Please refer to “RESULTS Information Submission Specifications: Government Funded Activities”. ◦ A copy of the fuel management prescription that is signed by a Registered Forest Professional must be attached to RESULTS entry. ◦ Prescription costs included in the RESULTS data entry to support improved cost benchmarking in the future. <u>Treatments and Phased Projects</u> • Post-treatment wildfire threat assessments as outlined in the Wildfire Threat Assessment Guide & Worksheets or survey data as outlined in Fuel Management Data Collection Standard. • Post-treatment report with updated survey data collection as per direction in the prescription, summary of post treatments conditions and fire behaviour outcomes and relationship to prescription treatment objectives. • <u>For prescribed fire only</u>: fire effects monitoring pre- and post-burn reports. • Pre- and post-treatment pictures. • PDF maps, at appropriate scale, and KMZ files as identified in Appendix 4. • Spatial data for completed treatments must be entered into RESULTS and the Activity Treatment Unit ID is required as evidence of a successful RESULTS entry. Please refer to “RESULTS Information Submission Specifications: Government Funded Activities”. • Costs by activity type (e.g. prescription, pruning, thinning) included in the RESULTS data entry to support improved cost benchmarking in the future.
Copies, excerpts and/or links to all materials produced with grant funding.	
Photos of funded activities and/or completed projects and links to media directly related to the funded project.	

10. Additional Information

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Appendix 1: Definitions for FireSmart Community Funding & Supports program

Approved project: Activities and costs included in the approved application that are to be completed from the **approved project start date** to the **approved project end date**.

Approved project start date: The date of the approval agreement for the approved project. However, eligible costs can be incurred from the date of application submission until the final report is submitted.

Approved project end date: The date identified in the approval agreement as the approved project end date. Generally speaking, this will be 12 months or 24 months from the date of the approval agreement depending on whether an applicant has applied for funding for one or two years.

Area of Interest (AOI): The AOI is the geographic scope of the CWRP. For the purpose of the FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program, the AOI is the area within the municipal boundary, regional district boundary, or boundary of **First Nations land**. Refer to Appendix 3 of the [Application-based Funding for FireSmart Activities Program and Application Guide](#) and the CWRP instruction guide and template for more information.

Cultural Burning: A practice that has existed since time immemorial, with traditional knowledge passed down from generation to generation. It holds different meanings for different Indigenous communities but is often defined as the controlled application of fire on the landscape to achieve specific cultural objectives. These burns are typically implemented at low intensity, with guidance from an Elder or Fire Knowledge Keeper. Common objectives include, but are not limited to cultural and language preservation, fuel mitigation, food and medicinal plant revitalization, and habitat enhancement.

Cultural Sites: Locations of historical and cultural importance to Indigenous Nations preserving their heritage, traditions, and connection to the land. These include, but are not limited, to culturally modified trees, traditional dwellings, burial sites, and ceremonial sites.

Eligible Wildland Urban Interface (WUI): For the purpose of the FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program, the **Eligible WUI** is generally defined as a maximum of one kilometer from structures within the AOI with a structure density class greater than 6.

First Nations land: First Nation reserve land, land owned by a modern Treaty First Nation with treaties that are in effect, land under the authority of an Indigenous National Government, or other land owned or governed by a First Nation or Treaty First Nation.

Green Spaces: For the purpose of FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program, green spaces are limited to **First Nations owned land** or **publicly owned land** and only include:

- Parks: open areas with lawns, trees, and amenities for recreation, including playgrounds, sports fields, and picnic areas.
- Gardens: spaces featuring a variety of plants and flowers, often with educational purposes.
- Cemeteries.
- Naturalized spaces: undeveloped areas within urban settings.
- Trails and Pathways: walking and biking routes connecting different parts of a city or town.
- Linear Parks and Greenways, including former railway lines.
- Right-of-Ways and Boulevards: landscaped roadside areas with trees and vegetation.

In-Kind expenditures: The use of resources of the approved **primary applicant** or **sub-applicant(s)** for the development or implementation of the **approved project**. For example, the use of meeting rooms owned by the approved **primary applicant** or **sub-applicant(s)** can be an in-kind expenditure.

Prescribed fire: The planned and deliberate application of fire to a specific land area to achieve a variety of land management objectives such as wildfire risk reduction, preserving Indigenous cultural values, improving wildlife habitat, and forest health.

Primary applicant: Eligible applicant that is the primary contact for the application and that is responsible for project oversight, grant management and all reporting requirements.

Private land: Fee-simple land that is not owned by a level of government.

Provincial Crown Land: Land (or land covered by water like rivers or lakes) that is owned by the Province of BC.

Updated September 2025 - **Publicly owned land:** Land owned by a local government or land owned by a public institution (such as a health authority or school district). For the purpose of the FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program, lands owned by colleges and universities are generally not considered publicly owned land. However, with rationale and support from FNESS and/or BCWS, land owned by a university identified in the Universities Act, Thompson Rivers University Act or Royal Roads University Act and/or land owned by a college identified in the College and Institute Act may be considered for funding for eligible fuel management activities.

Sub-applicant(s): In the case of regional projects, the sub-applicants are eligible applicants that are included in an approved application.

Vegetation management: The general goal of vegetation management is to reduce the potential wildfire intensity and ember exposure to people, infrastructure, structures and other values through manipulation of both the natural and cultivated vegetation that is within or adjacent to a community.

Vegetation management can be accomplished at various scales:

1. **FireSmart vegetation management:** removal, reduction, or conversion of flammable vegetation in order to create more fire-resistant areas.
2. **Fuel management treatments:** the manipulation or reduction of living or dead forest and grassland fuels to reduce the rate of spread and head fire intensity and enhance the likelihood of successful suppression.

Appendix 2: Funding Requirements for Fuel Management Activities

Prescriptions

As outlined in the [Fuel Management Prescription Template Guidance](#) (2023):

A fuel management prescription is a document that describes existing conditions in an identified area and recommends fuel management activities that will reduce potential fire behaviour. It is expected that the prescribed post treatment stand conditions will result in reduced potential fire behaviour, such as a decrease in surface fire intensity and rate of spread, crown fire initiation and spread, and potential for sustained ignition. Fuel management prescriptions must ensure a cost effective and measurable reduction in expected fire behaviour with the consideration and management of other values on the landscape (e.g. ungulate winter range, visual requirements, etc.).

For the purpose of the FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program, prescriptions must include fuel management activities that reduce surface fuel loading to achieve surface fire intensity levels below 2,000 kilowatts per metre in heat energy output. Surface fire intensity levels below this benchmark best support successful suppression by wildfire crews.

Forest professionals should consider activities such as **prescribed fire** to reduce surface fire intensity in masticated fuel beds and in areas of hand or mechanical treatment (as required); pile and burn; and/or off-site debris disposal. Onsite dispersal of masticated woody debris is eligible for funding only when surface fire intensity levels below 2,000 kilowatts per metre are achieved.

Prescriptions that include **Provincial Crown Land** and other tenure types (e.g., local government land) should ensure distinct treatment units are used to separate **Provincial Crown Land**.

Fire effects monitoring pre-burn should occur prior to a prescription being developed as the data informs the prescription and the burn plan development. When an **approved project** includes multiple prescriptions, it is preferred that all completed prescriptions are submitted at the same time.

Burn Plans

A burn plan is a documented plan prepared in advance of a prescribed fire that describes the objectives, burn operations, mitigation plan and post-fire monitoring of the open fire. Approved applicants must use current BCWS processes and templates available on the [Planning a Burn](#) page which includes the Burn Plan Template (Note: Authorizations from the Land Manager, and approvals from a BCWS Official are required as per the Burn Plan Signature Sheet).

Where development of a burn plan is a proposed activity, applicants must contact the appropriate fire centre and fire zone to determine how burn plan development will proceed. During this discussion, it may be determined that there will be a collaborative approach to burn plan development with BCWS as an active participant or BCWS may only review and approve the plan. Engaging early will help BCWS assess available capacity towards burn plan development.

When applying for funding for prescriptions and burn plans it is expected that the proposed area is based on an informed estimate of the net prescription or burn plan area. For example, water bodies, rock, roads, etc. should be netted out of the proposed area based on desktop review. Only those areas with an expected fuel management treatment and/or prescribed burn should be included in the hectares for prescriptions or burn plans.

Treatments

Fuel management treatments must follow an approved fuel management prescription (and burn plan, if required) and may include activities such as pruning, thinning, tree falling, brushing, grazing, reforestation, **cultural burning**, **prescribed fire** and/or debris management.

Maintenance treatments (generally for areas that have had **fuel management treatments** in the last 5 to 15 years) are eligible for funding. Applicants should discuss any proposed maintenance activities with the

BCWS, FNESS and/or, where applicable, BC Parks to ensure that the requirements for a new or updated fuel management prescription are addressed and to identify where the Crown Land Wildfire Risk Reduction stream may be applicable.

Cultural Burning and Prescribed Fire

The Wildfire Regulation was updated in March 2024. Amendments related to cultural and prescribed fire provide an option for an Indigenous governing body to enter into an agreement with the Province under section 60 of the *Wildfire Act* relating to open fire, rather than submitting and obtaining approval for a burn plan from an official. More information is available [here](#).

Updated in 2026 - **Cultural burning** and **prescribed fire** activities primarily for community wildfire risk reduction objectives are eligible for funding. Due to relatively narrow burn windows associated with weather and site conditions, as well as timelines associated with fire hazard abatement requirements, it is anticipated **prescribed fire** will be more appropriate and common as a maintenance treatment than as part of the initial suite of treatments.

Where burn plan implementation is proposed as part of the project, applicants must consult with a BCWS Wildfire Prevention Officer and/or FNESS Wildfire Resiliency Advisor to access support and assess opportunities for BCWS involvement. Proponents may consider utilizing BCWS personnel in partnership with First Nations, local fire departments or contract crews.

Cultural burning and **prescribed fire** projects must comply with the requirements outlined in Section 60 of the *Wildfire Act*. Local governments are required to submit burn plans for official approval. Indigenous governing bodies may either enter into agreements with the Province regarding open fire or submit a burn plan for official approval.

Phased Fuel Management Projects

Applicants can apply for fuel management projects that include prescription and/or burn plan development and fuel management treatment, including prescribed burns, for the same treatment unit(s) provided that sufficient detail on estimated treatment size and post-treatment outcomes are included. Under the FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program, this is considered a phased fuel management project and specific funding conditions will apply.

Appendix 3: LGPS Online Application Tool

As outlined in [Section 7](#), applications are required to be submitted in two steps **prior to the application deadline**:

1. [LGPS Online Application Form](#): This online form must be completed for all applications to LGPS funding programs and includes questions that are common to all grant applications. When the LGPS Online Application Form is submitted, the applicant will receive an email confirmation including the file number that has been assigned to the application, and a copy of the Application Worksheet that must be completed as part of Step 2.
2. Application Worksheet: This worksheet contains questions that are specific to the funding stream and must be submitted by email to UBCM with all other required attachments.

STEP ONE: LGPS Online Application Form

The following questions are required to be answered on the LGPS Online Application Form:

1. Name of the intake of the funding program that you want to apply for (select from menu).
2. Name of the Primary Applicant (select from menu). Please note: if the name of your organization is not included in the menu, contact UBCM in order to determine eligibility and next steps.
3. Primary and secondary contact information: name, position, email, phone
4. Primary Applicant mailing address.
5. For regional projects only: name of sub-applicant(s) and rationale for regional project.
6. Project title. Project titles should be brief but include key project activities, the area where the work will be undertaken, and the intended outcome/deliverable.
7. Proposed start and end date.
8. Estimated total project budget.
9. Estimated total grant request.
10. Other funding amount and source.
11. Project summary (provide a brief summary, no more than 500 characters).
12. Progress to date. Provide an update on the status of previously approved projects if previously funded under same funding program/funding stream.
13. Certification that the information is complete and accurate.
14. Name and email of person submitting application.

When the LGPS Online Application Form is submitted, the applicant will receive an email confirmation including the file number that has been assigned to the application, and a copy of the Application Worksheet that must be completed as part of Step 2.

STEP TWO: Application Worksheet and Required Attachments

Application Worksheet

The following questions will be required to be answered on the Application Worksheet:

1. Name of Primary Applicant (First Nation or Local Government).
2. File Number (this can be found on the confirmation email you will receive after the LGPS Online Application Form is submitted).

3. Primary Applicant of FireSmart application.
4. File Number of FireSmart application.
5. Required FireSmart components:
 - FireSmart position (title of position(s), length position has been in place, general duties)
 - CWRP or CWPP (type of plan and date)
 - Community FireSmart and Resiliency Collaborative (host or participant, participating agencies)
6. Funding Request
 - Year 1
 - Year 2
7. Forest Professional
 - Name of forest professional (if known at time of application)
 - FPBC Registration Number
8. Engagement and Partnerships
 - Engagement with First Nations and/or Indigenous Organizations:
 - Which First Nations and/or Indigenous organizations were engaged as part of the development of this application
 - Which First Nations and/or Indigenous organizations will participate in the proposed activities and what specific role will they play
 - Extent to which staff and/or elected officials have undertaken Indigenous Cultural Safety and Cultural Humility Training
9. Partnerships and Collaboration
 - Describe how the proposed project will contribute to a comprehensive, cooperative, and regional approach to wildfire risk reduction
 - Where applicable, 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
10. Additional Information – Other information you think may help support your submission.

Required Attachments

As outlined in [Table 3](#).

Appendix 4: Requirements for Maps and Spatial Data for Interim and Final Reporting

Spatial data submissions and large format georeferenced PDF maps that clearly represent (at a suitable scale) the mandatory content are required as part of the final report for fuel management activities.

All fuel management activities (prescriptions and **fuel management treatments**) must be entered into RESULTS and the ACTIVITY_TREATMENT_UNIT_ID (ATU ID) will be required as evidence of a successful RESULTS entry. Please refer to [RESULTS Information Submission Specifications: Government Funded Activities](#).

Please note:

- Where applicable, a copy of the fuel management prescription that is signed by a Registered Forest Professional must be attached to RESULTS entry.
- Costs by activity type (e.g. prescription, pruning, thinning) are recommended to be included in the RESULTS data entry to support improved cost benchmarking in the future.

Large format georeferenced PDF maps that clearly represent (at a suitable scale) the mandatory content are also required as part of the final report requirements for fuel management activities.

A. Summary of Map and Spatial Data Requirements

Table 5: Maps and Spatial Data		
	Mapping requirement	Spatial Data Layers and KMZ
ALL projects	Mandatory requirements for all maps: refer to Part B	KMZ required for all project types
Fuel Management Prescriptions	• Fuel management Prescription Map. Refer to Part C	• RESULTS submission. Refer to Part E
Fuel Management Treatments, including prescribed fire and demonstration projects	• Fuel Management Treatment Map. Refer to Part D	• RESULTS submission. Refer to Part E

B. Mandatory Requirements for All Maps

- Descriptive title
- Scale (as text or scale bar)
- North arrow
- Legend
- CRI/LGPS Project number and proponent name, consultant and GIS company name
- Date
- Reference data such as roads, railways, transmission lines, pipelines, water bodies and rivers/creeks
- Compress map files to reduce unnecessary large file sizes

C. Required Map for Fuel Management Prescriptions

Fuel Management Prescription Map

- Treatment Units labelled by Treatment Unit ID (spatially this will match the coverage from the RESULTS spatial entry)
- Land status and tenure overlaps (e.g. range, woodlots, area-based tenures)
- Access including proposed roads, and stream crossings

- Values including any reserves, wildlife habitat areas, or critical infrastructure
- Streams, wetlands, lakes including the class and identification number/name
- Areas of safety concern (steep slopes)
- Access including existing/proposed roads, trails and stream crossings
- Previously completed treatments if applicable (labelled by year)
- Table with all areas identified in Treatment Unit Summary, including treatment regime and hectares (from the signed Fuel Management Prescription document)

D. Required Map for Fuel Management Treatment

Fuel Management Treatment Map

- Treatment Units labeled by Treatment Unit ID (spatially this will match the coverage from the RESULTS spatial entry)
- Land status and tenure overlaps (e.g. range, area-based tenures woodlots)
- Previously completed treatments, if applicable (labelled by year)
- A table summarizing your RESULTS entry activities (using Silviculture Base Code Description, Silviculture Technique Code Description and Silviculture Method Code Description language as appropriate to describe each activity by treatment unit), net hectares of each of those activities, and then total net project boundary hectares. Example table:

Table 6: Results Entry Activities Example Table		
TU ID	Fuel Treatment Activities (Silv Base /Technique/Method Desc)	Hectares
1	Juvenile Spacing - Manual Cutting	10ha
1	Site Prep - Pile and Burn	10ha
2	Juvenile Spacing - Manual Cutting	5ha
2	Site Prep - Pile and Burn	5ha
2	Pruning - Handsaw	0.5ha
Total Net HA		15.5ha

E. Required Spatial Data for Prescriptions and Treatments

Fuel Management Activities:

All Fuel Management Activities (prescriptions and **fuel management treatments**) must be entered directly into RESULTS. Please refer to [RESULTS Information Submission Specifications: Government Funded Activities](#) for spatial data requirements for fuel management activities.

Submission:

- Submit a file showing the ACTIVITY_TREATMENT_UNIT_ID (ATU ID) associated with your RESULTS entry
- KMZ file of associated spatial data saved with symbology (i.e. similar to what is displayed on the required maps)

Additional notes about Fuel Management and Prescription submissions:

- For Fuel Treatments the project boundary, treatment unit and spatial hectares (from your RESULTS entry) must match the net hectares stated on the maps and in Worksheet 2.
- For Prescriptions the spatial hectares (from your RESULTS entry) must match the net hectares stated on the map and in the Prescription Document and Worksheet 2.
- RESULTS entries deficiencies identified during the spatial review phase must be corrected in RESULTS.

Please note: Spatial data submissions will be evaluated against these criteria. The final report and payment of grant funding will not be approved until all of these criteria are met.

F. Attribute Value Reference Tables

Table 7: Data Collection Method	
DATA_COLLECTION_METHOD	DESCRIPTION
differentialGPS	The data was captured with a differential GPS unit, or was post-processed with information received from known reference stations, to improve data accuracy.
Digitizing	The data was converted from an analog map into a digital format using a digitizing tablet connected to a computer.
GISAnalysis	The data was created as a result of a GIS Analysis.
nondifferentialGPS	The data was captured with a GPS unit but was not post-processed or was captured with a GPS unit incapable of doing differential GPS.
orthoPhotography	The data was delineated from an orthophoto (aerial photography).
Photogrammetric	The data was delineated using photographs or images in stereo pairs.
satelliteImagery	The data was delineated from a satellite image.
sketchMap	The data was hand sketched, either on an analog map or on-screen.
tightChainTraverse	The data was surveyed with a hand compass and chain to create a closed traverse.

Table 8: Fuel Type	
FUEL_TYPE	DESCRIPTION
C-1	C-1 Spruce Lichen Woodland
C-2	C-2 Boreal Spruce
C-3	C-3 Mature Jack or Lodgepole Pine
C-4	C-4 Immature Jack, Lodgepole Pine, densely stocked Ponderosa Pine, or Douglas Fir
C-5	C-5 Red and White Pine
C-6	C-6 Conifer Plantation
C-7	C-7 Ponderosa Pine or Douglas Fir
D-1/2	D-1/2 Green or Leafless Aspen or Deciduous shrub
S-1	S-1 Jack or Lodgepole Pine slash
S-2	S-2 White Spruce, Balsam slash

S-3	S-3 Coastal Cedar, Hemlock, Douglas-Fir slash
O-1a/b	O-1a/b Matted or Standing Grass
M-1/2	M-1/2 Green or Leafless Mixedwood
M-3	M-3 Dead Balsam Fir Mixedwood – leafless
M-4	M-4 Dead Balsam Fir Mixedwood – green
Non-fuel	Non-fuel
Unclassified	Unclassified
Water	Water