



## Pliocene Ridge Community Services District

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Sierra County Board of Supervisors  
Lee Adams  
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Re: Request to invoice firewise administrative hours and related supplies to the Title III fund

Dear Lee:

As you are aware, an effort to establish firewise communities in both Pike and Alleghany was spearheaded by District Chief Chris Dorn in late 2019. The Pliocene Ridge CSD board of directors adopted a resolution to support the firewise effort on April 16, 2020. The district has been leading the effort since that time.


Two informational meetings were held (one in Pike and one in Alleghany) with Pat Leech of the Nevada County Firesafe Council in attendance. An informational mail-out was sent to ALL residents of the district in April of 2020. Additionally, the district is tracking not only the resident's work but also the qualified work that the County, PG&E and AT&T do in our area. We plan on applying for grants to help residents clear around their homes once the communities are Firewise certified.

The Nevada County Firesafe Council is assisting with putting together the Firewise USA applications. The application for Pike was submitted last week and the Alleghany application is in the works. Pliocene Ridge CSD is acting as the administrator for both firewise communities. We are aware that the Sierra County Board of Supervisors has "stepped up the plate" and that title III money has been made available to other communities to support their Firewise efforts. Pliocene Ridge CSD would like permission to bill administrative time spent specifically on the Firewise effort to the Title III fund at a rate of \$27.00 an hour (the current Firewise rate for "in-kind" labor) and any related direct costs (such as postage and printing).

A detailed invoice will be submitted with each request for payment. Again, this will be for firewise administrative work only. We anticipate less than 50 hours a year to bill (16 hours for 2020). The more we invest in this effort the more we will get out of it. The County's participation is appreciated and will be noted whenever the opportunity arises (such as on a planned webpage).

For calendar year 2020 we were able to record over 20,000 cubic yards of tree and brush removal for Pike and Alleghany! This includes work done by the County Road Crew (tracked by Ned Cusato and Chris Dorn) and work done by PG&E subcontractors. We will be streamlining the method for residents to report their work this year.

Your time and consideration are appreciated.

  
Daniel Guyer  
President RA.