



# El Dorado County Fire Safe Council

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"Public and Private Partners Working Together to Protect People, Homes, and Natural Resources"

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El Dorado County Fire Safe Council Family,

Today, the Trump Administration implemented a freeze on all federal grants and loans until such time as they are vetted to ensure they align with the Administration's priorities. Although there have been legal challenges filed against this action, we have been notified by our grantors that grant payments from federal sources, even though they are awarded, are on hold until further notice.

The El Dorado County Fire Safe Council has a number of grants funded through federal funds, including Stevens Authority fuel reduction and chipping grants, the BLM Georgetown Fuel Break grant, the El Dorado County Air Quality Management District chipping grant, and the California Fire Safe Council Education and Outreach grant. Until further notice, the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council and its associate councils should not incur costs affiliated with these grants until such time as the federal freeze is resolved and grant funding is released.

The El Dorado County Fire Safe Council continues to have limited funds for chipping from state sources and will continue to accept requests for program assistance at this time.

If you have any questions regarding grants affected by the freeze, please contact Tamara Johnston at [grantmgr@edcfiresafe.org](mailto:grantmgr@edcfiresafe.org) or Janet Barentson at [treasurer@edcfiresafe.org](mailto:treasurer@edcfiresafe.org).

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ken Pimlott".

Ken Pimlott, Chair  
El Dorado County Fire Safe Council

Cc: Jennifer Turner, EDCFSC Executive Coordinator