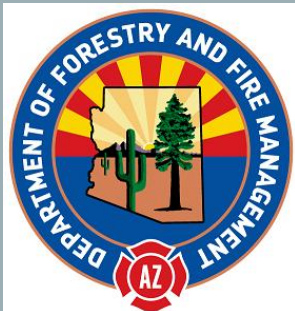


FOREST LAKES FIRE DISTRICT 2024 HEALTHY FOREST INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM

Awarded by
AZ Dept of Forestry and Fire Management







BACKGROUND

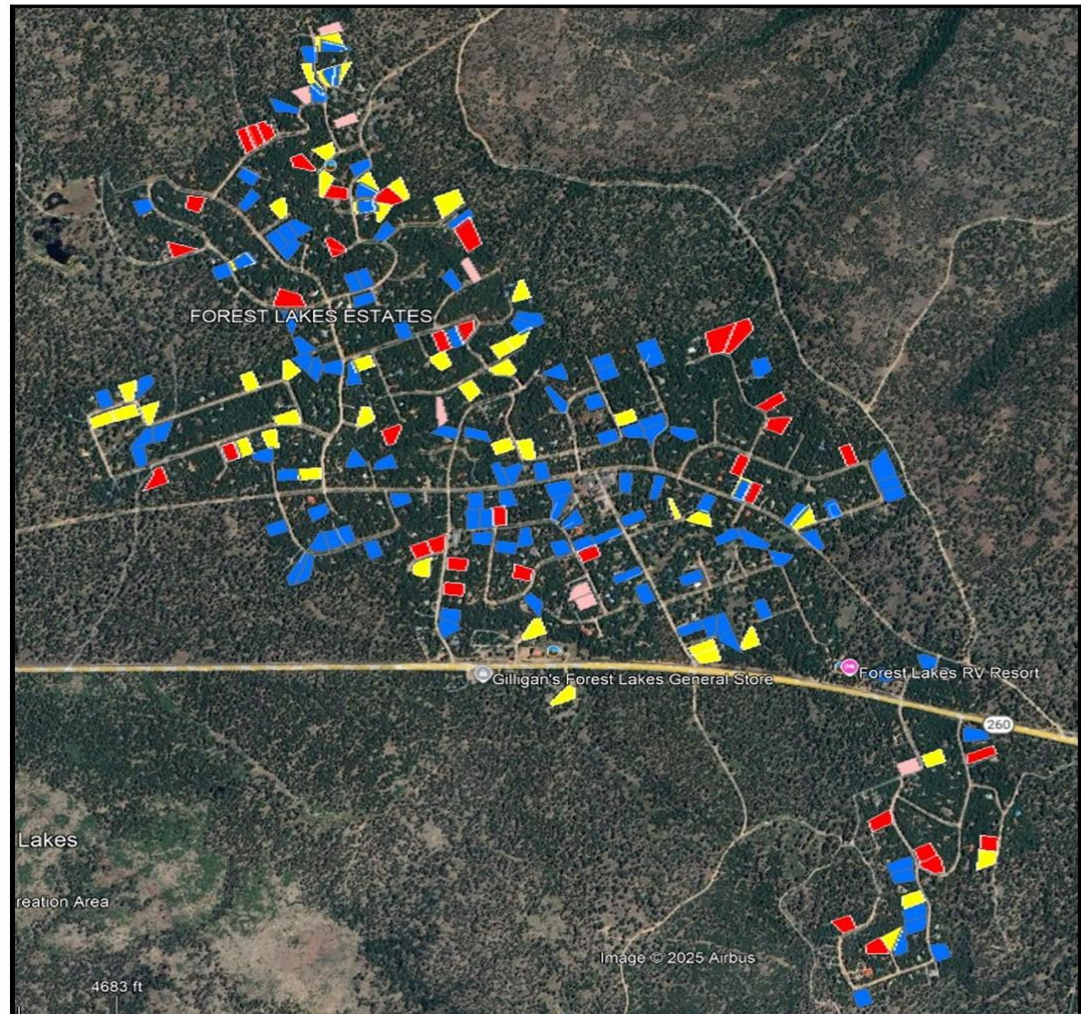
- June 2024 - FLFD submitted our grant proposal
- Sept 2024 - AZ DFFM notified us that we did not receive an award
 - Other applicants were seen as higher priority
- March 7 - DFFM notified us that we could receive funds from other projects that were unable to perform
- March 26 – Conducted successful Forest Lakes site visit with DFFM
- March 31 – DFFM allocated additional funding to our project, expanding from 30 acres to 41 acres
- Next step – DFFM approval of finalized project plan and budget

GRANT FUNDS HAVE HELPED MAKE OUR COMMUNITY LESS SUSCEPTIBLE TO FIRE DANGER BY REMOVING EXCESS FUELS

Forest Lakes Hazardous Fuels Reduction Grants Completed

	WF09	118 acres
	WFHF 16	8 acres
	WFHF 20	50 acres
	NFHF 22	40 acres

976 Lots in Forest Lakes
- 216 Treatments completed
760 Properties remaining

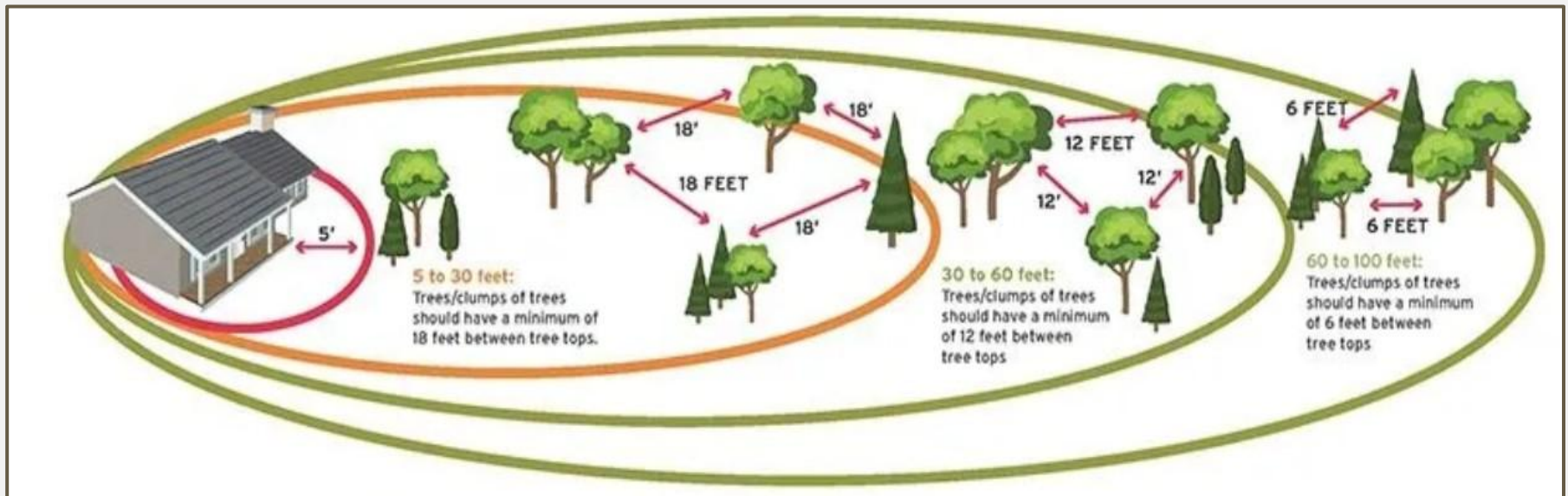


GRANT PROGRAM PARAMETERS

- 41 acres, 80% cost reimbursement up to \$4000 total cost (\$3200 max reimbursement)
 - Tree and slash removal only; no needle cleanup
- Applicants must qualify: Property must require treatment in order to meet Firewise guidelines
 - Must not have been treated previously with grant funding
 - Chief Rodriguez evaluates each property before and after treatment
- Applicants must sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
- Program details are at <https://flfdaz.com/firewise>
- 40 interested owners have already responded via email to john@jnservices.net
 - 15 have submitted MOUs and have priority
 - Future applicants will be wait-listed

TREATMENT REDUCES HAZARDOUS FUEL LOADS

- Reduces fire danger for owner and neighbors
- May have an impact on future insurance costs



Firewise Guidelines: 70-80 trees per acre

RECENT EMAIL FROM JON ORONA, DISTRICT FORESTER

“I want to commend and thank the Forest Lakes Fire District, Forest Lakes Owner Association, and the overall Forest Lakes Community on the excellent work they have completed to reduce wildfire risk and fuels within the wildland urban interface. Although there is more work to be done, I'm confident this group is up to the task at hand. I greatly look forward to hearing of more progress and success in the coming years.”