

Tri-County FireSafe Working Group
Application for Assistance with Fuel Modification Project

Creation of Fuel Resistant Landscape

I understand the maximum amount available per project is based on the following formula:

Projects costs are matched on a 50% landowner 50% grant funds basis. Match amount and allowance will be based on the requirements of the specific grant award that is funding the project.

The grant amount awarded will be based on a 50%/50% match of the **total** project cost.

Example: Project amount= \$3,000 = \$1,500 grant money + \$1,500 grantee match.

Second entry or expansion of projects, if approved, will be on a 50%/50% maximum match.

Landowner match may be made by either cash or in-kind contribution, or a combination of both. Landowner labor value will be calculated at the rate of \$15 per hour.

All landowner planned labor or cost contribution must be approved by Tri-County FSWG in advance, and indicated as a part of the project plan as agreed to by the parties.

Work on this Project must be completed within 6 months of Project approval.

Landowner Responsibility:

1. Complete this application form and submit it to:
Tri-County FireSafe Working Group
P.O. Box 934
Helena, MT 59624
2. Meet with the Tri-County approved contractor or inspector to complete the Home Evaluation/Ignition Zone Assessment Form and develop the project plan.
3. Maintain project work timesheet for contributions toward match amount.
4. Ensure the completion of project work as described
5. Ensure debris/slash clean up is accomplished by the agreed method in the plan which include:
A. Burn B. Chip C. Masticate D. Removal from property E. Saved for firewood
6. Notify Tri-County Fire Working Group upon Project completion.
7. Agree to maintain this fuel modification/vegetation work for a minimum of 10 years or until I no longer own this property.
8. It is understood that maintenance is my responsibility.
9. Pay the contractor the amount due as agreed to in the plan, upon satisfactory completion of the work in accordance with the project plan.
10. Hold back any necessary final payment from the match amount due, until any portion of the plan of the project remains incomplete ie. pile burning held up due to environmental conditions, etc. This will be detailed in the plan. Tri-County may do the holdout rather than the landowner. Reimbursement of the contractor will be made by Tri-County FireSafe Working Group upon project completion, inspection, and approval.

Application information:

Name: _____

Telephone number(s): _____

Address: _____

Physical address of Property if different than mailing: _____

Subdivision: Name and Lot #: _____

E-mail address: _____

City: _____

County: _____

Date submitted: _____

Review Date: _____

Signature of Applicant _____

Signature of Reviewer _____