



# The Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program in Region 5

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# Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program (CFLRP)

- ✓ Created by Law in 2009 to:
- ✓ Encourage collaborative, science-based restoration on priority landscapes
- ✓ Support ecological, economic, and social outcomes
- ✓ Reduce wildfire risk
- ✓ Achieve ecological and watershed health
- ✓ Use wood byproducts to benefit economies
- ✓ Leverage public and private resources





# CFLRP Funding

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- A competitive, 10-year funding opportunity
- CFLRP funding can be spent on **National Forest System lands**
- **Funds can be used to cover up to 50%** of the implementation and monitoring costs
- Act authorizes funding for **implementation and monitoring**
- Each project can receive no more than \$3M in discretionary funding per year
- Remainder of costs through matching funds

# Monitoring

- Each project must use a **multiparty monitoring**, evaluation, and accountability process to assess **ecological, social and economic** impacts of implementation
- Continues for **15 years** after project implementation commences
- CFLRP **Common Monitoring Strategy** provides support and capacity on core set of indicators
- Tracking accomplishments in annual report



# Project Selection Process

1. Request for proposals

2. Tier 1 proposal - Projects submit a pre-proposal to the USFS Regional Office Review Team.

3. Tier 2 proposal - Proposals selected in Tier 1 are invited to submit a Tier 2 proposal.

4. The CFLRP Federal Advisory Committee evaluation & recommendation to the Secretary of Agriculture

5. Secretary approval of Committee recommendations

6. Approved projects are funded pending budget appropriation

# *Ten Years of CFLRP Outcomes*

## **Outsized results on the landscape**

9% spending & 11% of acres -- produced 19% of hazardous fuels, 15% timber volume, 26% veg improved

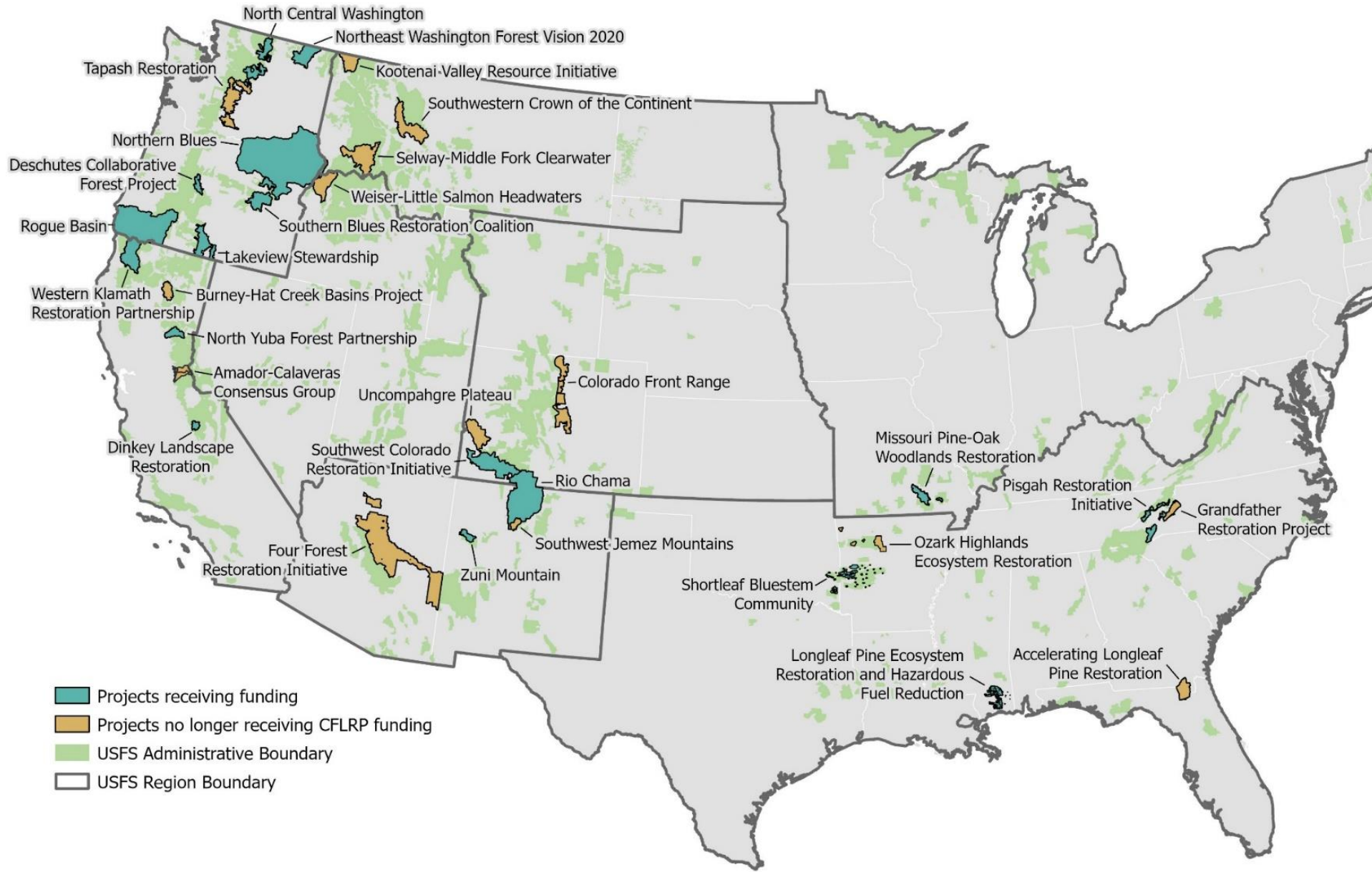
## **Generates economic and community benefits**

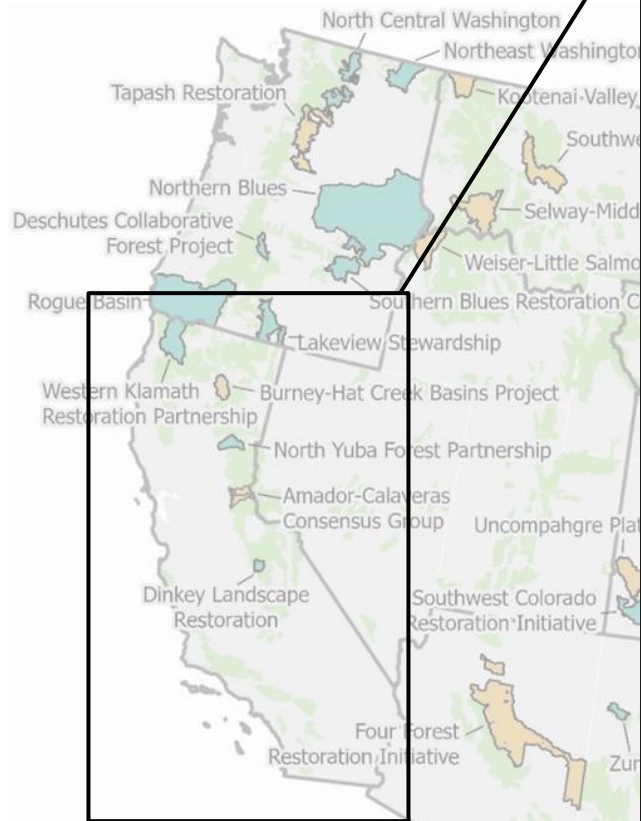
Supported average of 5,440 jobs yearly, \$2 billion in local labor income

## **Attracts significant partner investments**

\$470 million in partnership (\$1 invested attracts \$1.80)

*CFLRP Results & Lessons Learned Summary Series:*  
<https://www.fs.usda.gov/restoration/CFLRP/>





- Projects receiving funding
- Projects no longer receiving CFLRR funding
- USFS Administrative Boundary
- USFS Region Boundary

Western Klamath  
Restoration Partnership

Burney-Hat Creek  
Basins Project

North Yuba  
Forest Partnership

Amador-Calaveras  
Consensus Group

Dinkey Landscape  
Restoration

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# “Sunset” projects

## Amador Calaveras Cornerstone Group

- Eldorado and Stanislaus National Forests
- First funded in 2012



## Burney Hat Creek

- Lassen National Forest
- First funded in 2012

# “Active” projects

Dinkey Landscape Restoration

- Sierra National Forest
- extension, first funded 2010



North Yuba

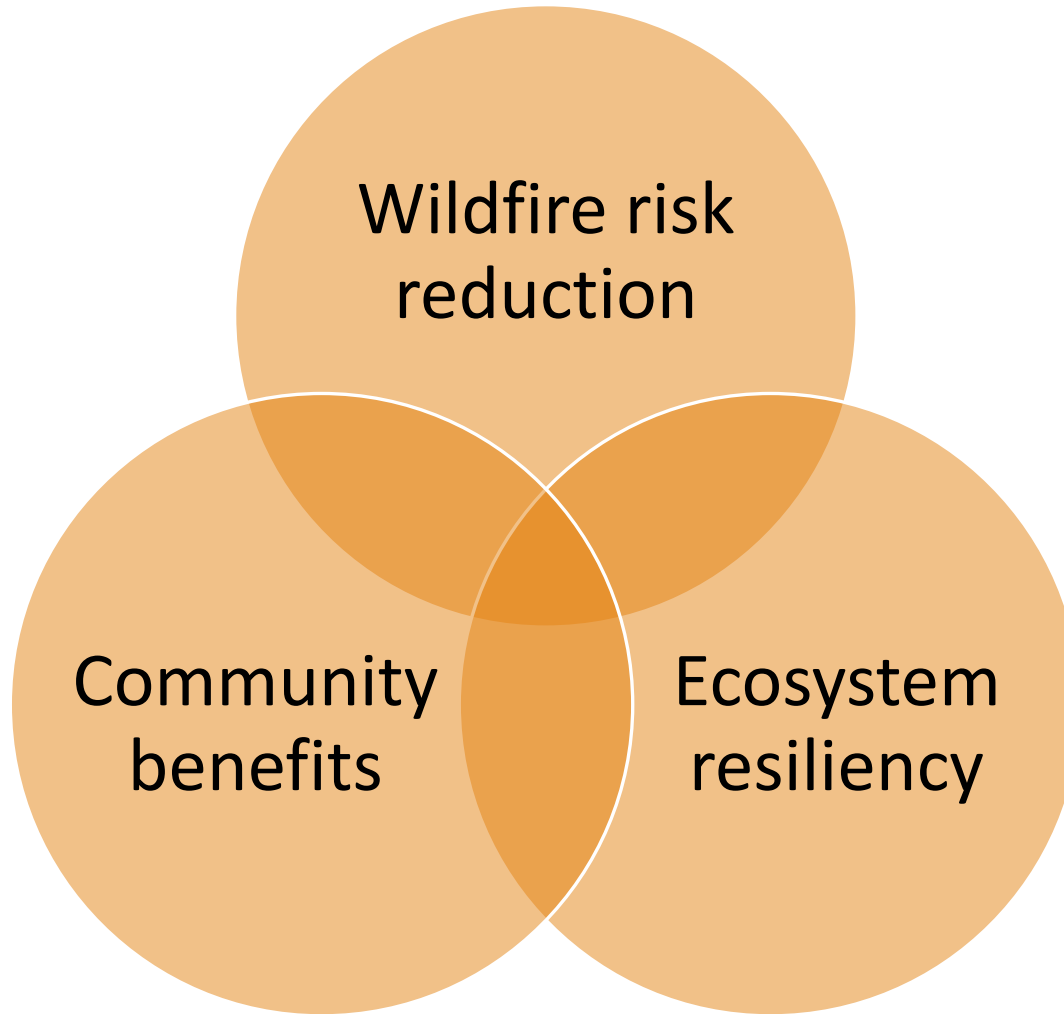
- Tahoe and Plumas National Forests
- First funded 2022

Western Klamath

- Klamath and Six Rivers National Forests
- First funded 2022



# Common goals





# Wildfire Risk Reduction

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Planning and implementing treatments to reduce hazardous fuels strategically and at the scale,

So fires burn at lower intensity, similar to historic conditions in fire-adapted forests,

And firefighters can manage wildfire to benefit resources and protect homes.

# Ecosystem Resiliency

## Wildlife habitat

- California spotted owl
- Pacific fisher
- Coho salmon

## Watershed function





# Community benefits

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Culturally important values

Local jobs

Workforce training

Youth engagement

# What are some common ongoing challenges?

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Enhancing resilience to unexpected events

Prioritizing resources

Better alignment for “good fire” on the landscape

Lack of infrastructure, markets for low-value wood products

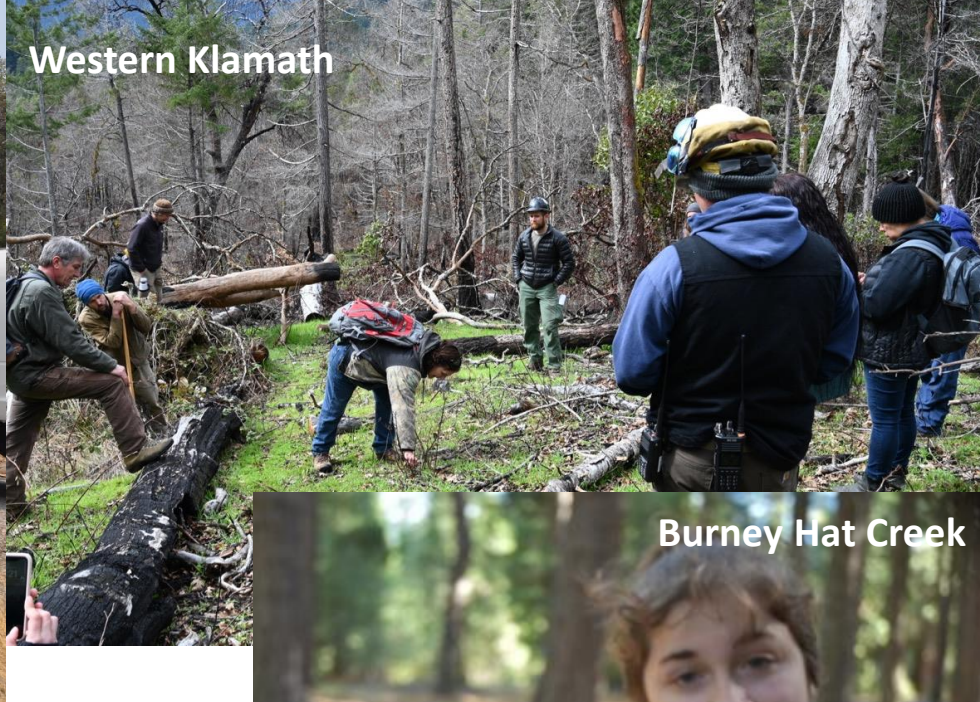
Planning for turnover and fostering stability over time

Achieving and verifying landscape-scale impact

Who participates, who is represented, who is not – and why?



Dinkey



Western Klamath



Amador Calaveras



Burney Hat Creek



N Yuba partners

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