



OLYMPIC VALLEY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT BOARD REPORT



SUBJECT: Fuels Management Report

EXHIBIT: F-8, 4 Pages

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MEETING DATE: Jan. 27, 2026

RECOMMENDED ACTION: This report is informational only, no action is requested from the Board.

DISCUSSION:

OV-2: This 84-acre hazardous fuel reduction project is located on privately owned lands in Olympic Valley. The treatment prescription is similar to OV-1, utilizing mechanical cutting, processing, and forwarding to create a shaded fuel break with 18-35 feet of tree spacing, and follow by mastication to remove approximately 75% of surface fuels. The main access points will be the same as for OV-1 (east end of Winding Creek Road and Tiger Tail Road). Right-of-entry agreements were secured with all property owners, and the project was awarded to Cross Check Services for implementation in summer 2026.

OV-3: Cross Check Services completed work on the OV-3 project in September, successfully reducing hazardous fuel loading in accordance with the project's prescription. High Sierra Fire LLC was contracted to complete additional stump cutting and debris removal. While the project is complete, staff plan to work with the property owners to determine if the District can support any restoration efforts next spring.

OV-4: The OV-4 project addresses wildfire risk by establishing a 150-foot-wide shaded fuel break around residential properties, buildings, and other structures in Olympic Valley. Phase 1, which covers 70 acres primarily in the southern and western portions of the Valley, was completed in the fall. Phase 2 covers 20 acres located behind Sandy Way and includes portions of Apache Ct., Navajo Ct., and Summit Peak Rd. There are 5 acres of the project area remaining, which will be completed this spring once the area can be safely accessed.

OV-5: The Olympic Valley Fuel Reduction Project (OV-5) is intended to establish a 100-acre shaded fuel break along the south ridge of Olympic Valley. The District continues to apply for funding to complete this important project.

Green Waste Days

The Friends of Olympic Valley (FoOV) and OV Firewise staffed the Palisades Tahoe parcel across from the Fire Station with volunteers to monitor waste disposal. District staff collaborates with the FoOV/Firewise Community to publicize the events and provides the labor and equipment necessary to clean up and load the green waste into dumpsters on the Monday following each event.

	GREEN WASTE COLLECTED (CU. YD)		
Event	2023	2024	2025
May	-	-	60
June	210	150	90
July	150	90	90
August	120	120	60
September	120	60	60
October	60	60	120
	660	480	480

Green Waste-Only Dumpster Rebate Program

In July 2021, following the termination of curbside green-waste collection by Tahoe Truckee Sierra Disposal (TTSD), the PSD Board approved a rebate program to fully reimburse the expense of renting a six-cubic-yard green-waste-only dumpster. This program has been continued through FY '26. The program is first-come, first-served and has a cap of \$10,000 for FY 2025-26, allowing one rebate per garbage customer per year. The funds are primarily from the garbage reserves for garbage customers and through property tax for non-garbage customers.

		FY '21-22	FY '22-23	FY '23-24	FY '24-25	FY '25-26
Rate		\$128.93	\$136.67	\$146.03	\$154.79	\$161.17
Number of rebates		18	29	36	32	16
Reimbursed Expense	Valley	\$1,524	\$3,006	\$4,844	\$4,650	\$2,242
	River Rd.	\$523	\$950	\$438.09	\$316	\$322
	Total	\$2,046	\$3,956	\$5,282	\$4,966	\$2,564

Since the rebate was introduced in 2021, **131 rebates** have been provided for a total expense of **\$18,814**.

Defensible Space Inspections (DSI):

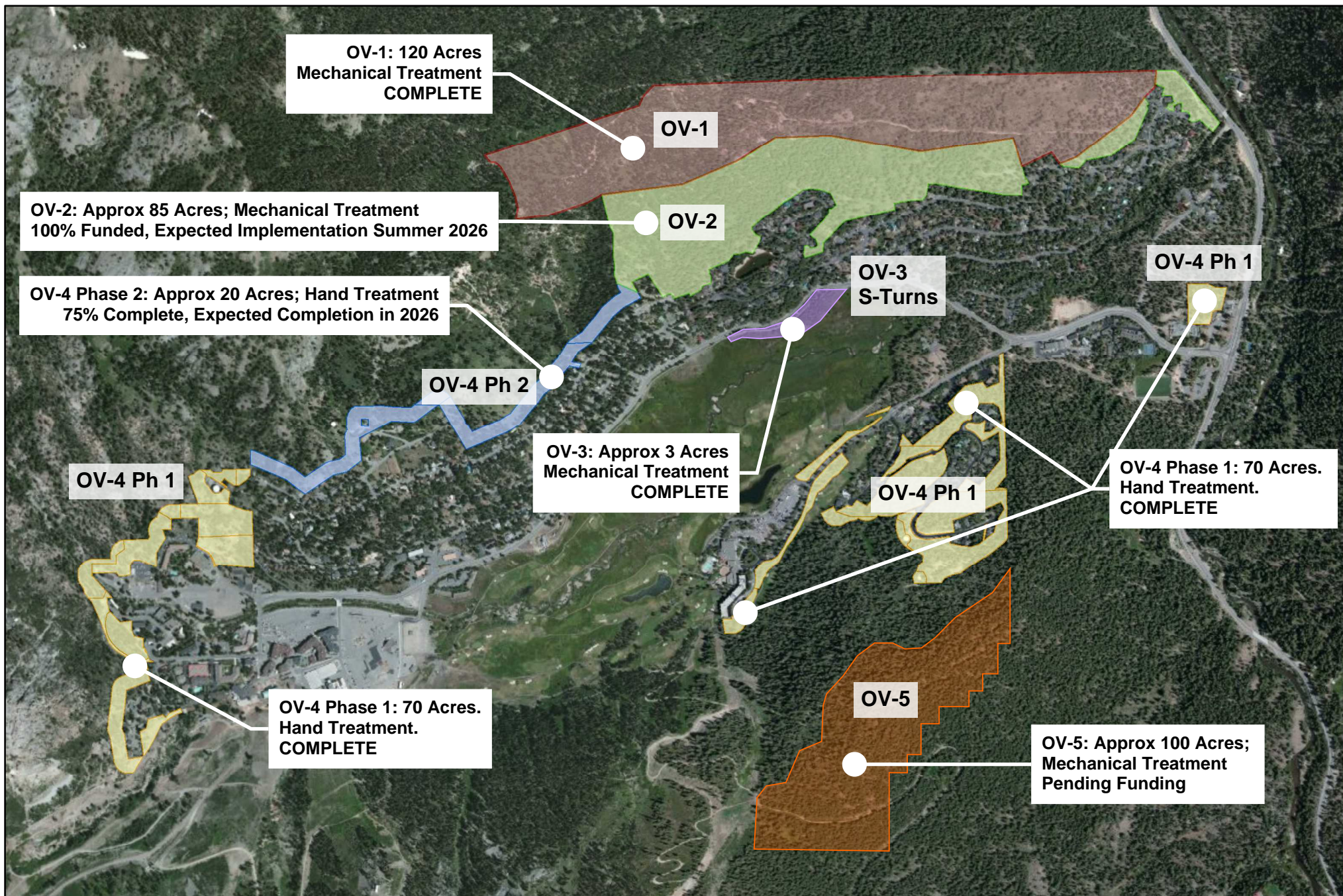
Crews conducted DSI on residential, short-term rentals, and commercial properties. OVFD takes a very hands-on approach providing a great deal of education, site visits, and individualized guidance. OVFD enforces PRC 4291 and note Zone Zero deficiencies and home hardening opportunities. OVFD continues to aim to complete 100% of inspections for all single-family residences in Olympic Valley.

FISCAL/RESOURCE IMPACTS: The District has been awarded over \$2M in grant funding to plan and implement fuels management projects, as summarized below.

Project	Grantor	Date Awarded	Funding	% Complete
Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)	CAL FIRE	Oct. 2021	\$31,898	100%
Fuels Reduction: North Ridge – OV-1 (120 acres)	CAL FIRE	Nov. 2022	\$539,888	100%
Fuels Reduction: North Slope – OV-2 (84 acres)	Truckee Tahoe Airport District	April 2025	\$620,000	1%
Fuels Reduction: Evacuation Corridor O.V. Road – OV-3 (3 acres)	Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation (TTCF)	July 2022	\$50,000	100%
	Trout Unlimited / Friends of Squaw Creek	Nov. 2021	\$19,000	100%
	Truckee Tahoe Airport District	April 2025	\$30,000	25%
Fuels Reduction: Community Buffer – OV-4 (100 acres)	Design and Permitting - TTCF / CAL FIRE	July 2023	\$45,125	100%
	Implementation – Truckee Tahoe Airport District	April 2024	\$400,000	50%
	Implementation - TTCF / CAL FIRE	August 2024	\$350,000	100%

ATTACHMENTS: Project Status Map

DATE PREPARED: January 13, 2026



2022 Olympic Valley Community Wildfire Protection Plan Fuel Management Projects - January 2026 Status Map

