

# Jenner Headlands Shaded Fuel Break

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- Moore Foundation
- NRCS
- CCC
- Cal Fire

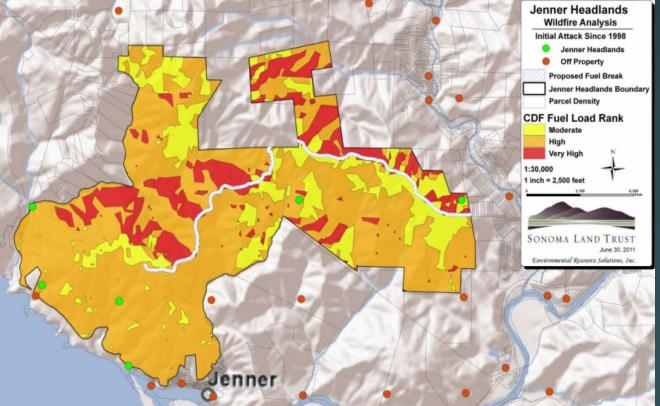


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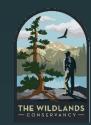


Data

- Cal Fire FRAP data: fuel loading, ignition sources, and past fires
- Topography, road system



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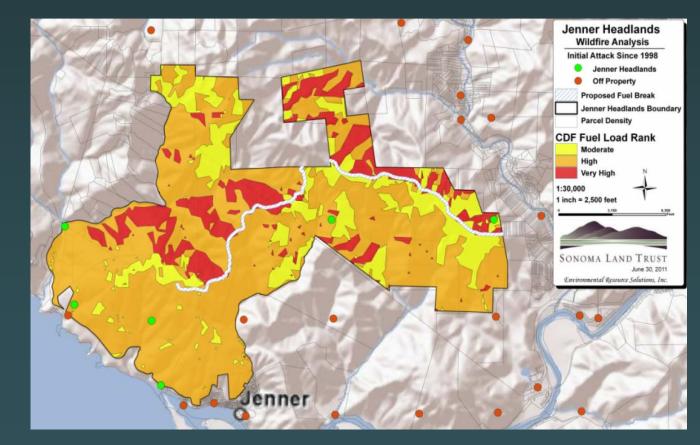


#### Goals

• Reduce fuel loads 150' either side of

ridgetop roads

- Keep large healthy trees
- Remove ladder fuels
- Remove smaller trees
- •Remove ground fuel



## Shaded Fuel Break Pilot Project: 2013

20 acres, 3 treatment types

• Mastication: \$2,500-\$2,700 ac

• Lop and scatter: \$1,200-\$1,400 ac

• Chipping: \$5,000 ac







## Shaded Fuel Break Pilot Project: 2013

#### Results

- Reduced stems per acre from 1816 to 420
- Basal area reduced from 286 sq ft/ac to 205 sq/ft ac







## Cal Fire: Prescribed Fire

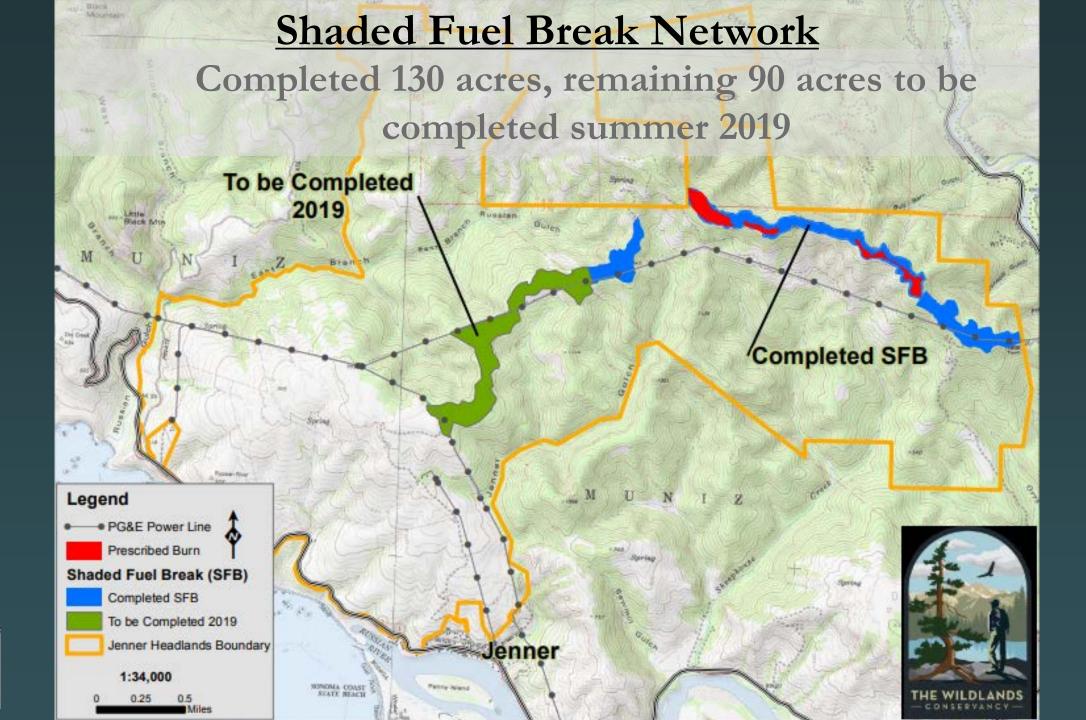
• Cal Fire prepared a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP)

•Applied prescribed fire to date: 40 acres within established fuel break











#### Shaded Fuel Break Workshop Series

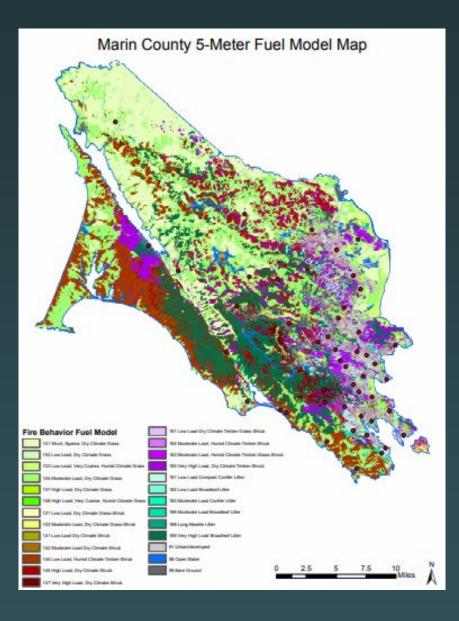
- Public and Private landowners
- Representatives from Cal Fire, NRCS, RCD
- Provide land managers with information to plan and implement, and network with funding sources

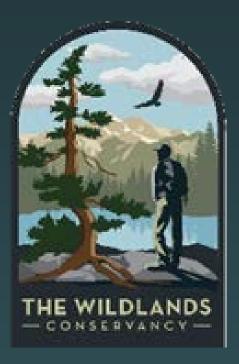




#### Elements to Progress County-wide

- Develop fine scale fuel model map for entire county, similar to Marin County
  - This will facilitate:
    - Strategic placement of fuel reduction projects
    - Public/private collaboration to work across property boundaries and develop a continuous network of fuel reduction projects
    - -Wise use of fuel reduction funding
- Develop equipment sharing co-op to reduce costs for organizations that have staff/volunteers to carry out fuel reduction work





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