

Just The Facts: California Forest Management

The Federal Government Owns and Manages the Vast Majority of California's Forestland

- Federally-Owned: 58 percent
- Privately-Owned: 39 percent
- State-Owned: 3 percent

More Federal Land than State Land has Burned in California Over the Past Two Years

- Federal Land Burned: 1.54 million acres
- State Land Burned: 1.38 million acres

California is Investing Unprecedented Resources into Improving Forest Management, Combating Tree Mortality and Increasing Carbon Capture in Forests.

Over the past year the state has:

- Invested \$160 million into the California Climate Investments Forest Health Grant Program to restore forest health and nearly \$100 million into implementing key Forest Carbon Plan initiatives, including creating dozens of new positions for prescribed fire and fuel reduction, restoring forests within the state parks system, providing grants to local entities for watershed improvement and establishing programs to encourage markets for wood products.
- Committed to doubling the land actively managed through vegetation thinning, controlled fires and reforestation from 250,000 acres to 500,000 acres.
- Launched new training and certification programs to help promote forest health through prescribed burning.
- Boosted education and outreach to landowners on the most effective ways to reduce vegetation and other forest-fire fuel sources on private lands.
- Streamlined permitting for landowner-initiated projects that improve forest health and reduce forest-fire fuels on their properties.
- Supported the innovative use of forest products by the building industry and expanded grants, training and other incentives to improve watersheds.
- Issued executive orders directing state agencies to consider risk management through an added socioeconomic lens to better support vulnerable populations during before, during and after natural disasters and modernize the way the state contracts for technology systems, including fire detection.

The Federal Government Continues to Cut the US Forest Service's Budget

- 2019 = \$4.8 billion
- 2018 = \$5.2 billion
- 2017 = \$6.3 billion
- 2016 = \$7.1 billion

California is Even Helping the Federal Government Manage Its Forests

- Over the past two fiscal years, the state made more than \$100 million available to treat forest lands, 49 percent of which are federally owned.