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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Butte County Fire Safe Council Fuels Reduction Program

Lead Agency: Town of Paradise

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Project Location: Paradise, Butte
City *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The project proponent is conducting town-wide vegetation management requiring a combination of fuel reduction methods depending on location, facility access, and slope. Strategies include hand cutting and piling, hand cutting and chipping, lop and scatter, mechanical mastication, herbicide treatment, and prescribed fire and goat grazing

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Biological Resources: Potential for presence special status plant species on the project site is possible.
Biological mitigation measures include: Pre-construction botanical survey by a qualified botanist for the presence of special status native plant populations and sensitive natural communities.
Cultural Resources: potential for discovery of previously unknown cultural resources.
Cultural resource mitigation measures include: a. Prior to implementation of vegetation management activities for each phase, a pedestrian survey will be conducted, b. Discovery of cultural resources will result in a halt work order, report of discovery to the Town, and a site assessment and mitigation measures would be produced by a qualified cultural resources specialist.
Hazards & Hazardous Material: Project implementation would involve the routine transportation, use, or disposal of gasoline, oil and diesel used in the power equipment and as a fuel for torches.
Hazards mitigation measures include: Personnel wearing appropriate PPE, equipment not being serviced hear watercourses, herbicides only being used in the daylight and with wind velocities not exceeding 10 mph, and not when there's a 30% forecast of rain with 6-hours of treatment.
Hydrology & Water Resources: Removal of vegetation by machine mastication will potentially cause soil disturbance in riparian areas.
Hydrology & water resources mitigation measures include: Stream-zone buffer will be flagged at designated distances.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

There are no known areas of controversy surrounding the project area as raised by other agencies or the public.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.