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Quincy, CA, September 9, 2016 - A 340 acre Bucks Lake hazardous fuels reduction project has been selected for \$464,000 in funding by the Sierra Nevada

Conservancy Board.

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The project includes reducing hazardous fuels on Plumas National Forest (PNF) lands surrounding Bucks Lake to reduce the wildfire risk to residences and water and power infrastructure. The project is the last phase of a multi-contract effort to complete the 1,511 acre Bucks Lake Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project.

According to Daniel Lovato, PNF Supervisor, the project would not have been funded without the efforts, commitment and partnership of a working group including the Feather River Stewardship Coalition, Plumas County Fire Safe Council, Plumas Corporation and the Plumas National Forest.

Together the organizations identified & prioritized work that was ready to be implemented on the national forest. "The fruits of these efforts demonstrate the importance of partnerships between the PNF and collaborative groups such as the Feather River Stewardship Coalition," said Lovato.

This is the second grant award that the working group, led by the Feather River Stewardship Coalition, has received this year. In June, another \$465,000 was awarded for approximately 500 acres of fuels reductions on PNF lands surrounding Round Valley Reservoir and Lake Davis to reduce the wildfire risk to municipal watersheds.

The Feather River Stewardship Coalition was initiated by the Plumas County Fire Safe Council using funding recommended by the Plumas Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) and approved by Lovato.

This current award from the Sierra Nevada Conservancy was part of over \$2 million dollars of Proposition 1 funding for various grant proposals that focus on reducing hazardous fuels and improving forest and watershed health across the range of the Sierra Nevada.