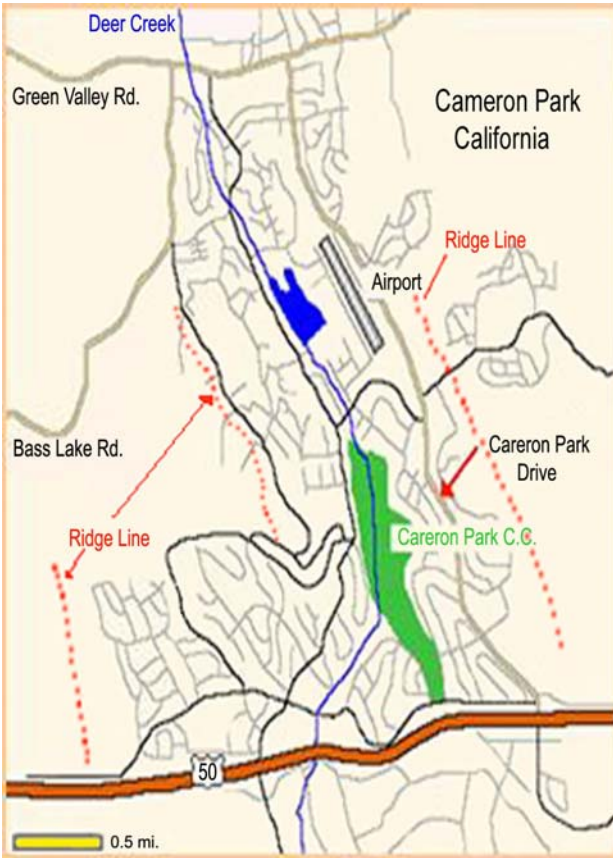


MAP OF CAMERON PARK



The general topography of the area consists of a central valley along the Deer Creek drainage, approximately ½ mile wide with a north-west/southeast orientation. The golf course, airpark, a 40 acre lake, and surrounding residences are the primary features in the valley. The elevation at the valley floor is in the range of the 1200' to 1300' above sea level. Much of the valley is enclosed between ridges on the east and west sides. The ridge tops rise 300' to 400' above the valley floor. Slopes leading up to the ridge tops range from approximately 15% to 35%.

Fire Department Mission Statement

The primary mission of the Cameron Park Fire Department is to preserve and enhance the quality of life of the residents of Cameron Park and to safeguard the health, safety, and welfare of the community through effective fire prevention, fire control, emergency medical service, and public education programs to provide a highly trained and properly equipped emergency response team and to mitigate the effects of disasters and all hazards to life and property for which the organization is charged.

Fire Safe Council Mission Statement

The mission of the Cameron Park Fire Safe Council is to promote fire safe practices through education, beautification and community involvement making Cameron Park a fire safe community.

FSC Meeting Location/Time

The Cameron Park Fire Safe Council meets the 2nd Thursday of each month. Please call the Fire Safe Bureau at (530) 672-7358 for more information.



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The Wildland Urban Interface Problem

Wildland Urban Interface exists in Cameron Park because high density development has occurred in an area with large amounts of vegetation such as oak trees, brush and grass.

Given the fuels, topography, weather, development and fire history in the area the community is vulnerable to a catastrophic wildfire.

Fuel Types

The most common types of flammable vegetation in our community are:

- Dense stands of native **Oak Forests**
- Flammable brush including **Manzanita** and **Chamise** grow in thick stands reaching heights greater than 10 ‘
- Highly flammable **Seasonal Dry Grasses**

Types of Construction

- Homes with wood siding, wood decks and shake roofs built during the 1970’s and 1980’s are not uncommon

The Solution

The California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection (CDF) in cooperation with the Cameron Park Fire Department (CPFD) have committed to implement a comprehensive **“Fire Safe” Project** for the Community of Cameron Park to minimize the potential for costs and losses associated with a catastrophic wildfire.

Below are some typical examples of Wildland Urban Interface conditions in the community



This is a large patch of brush located on the east side of the ridge, below Woodleigh Lane. To the right a subdivision of new homes has been carved into the hillside. At the bottom of the hill is the deer creek drainage which passes through Cameron Park Lake. (right side of photo).

Manzanita & brush on Woodleigh Lane surrounding homes.



In this view of the Cameron Park Airport runway (facing northwest) surrounding homes can barely be seen through the dense stands of oak woodland and brush.

Fire Safe Project Elements

Planning Elements

- Establish Cameron Park Fire Safe Bureau to coordinate the district’s efforts towards fire safety in the community
- Establish the Cameron Park Fire Safe Council committed to developing a “Fire Safe” community in Cameron Park
- Develop a Fire Safe Plan that will establish standards for road and street networks, water supply, building construction, fuel modification and defensible space
- Develop a preplan for managing wildfire emergencies in and around the community
- Perform a Community Hazard and Risk Assessment for the entire community

Fuel Reduction Elements

- Enforce the Residential Lot Clearing Requirements (PRC 4291)
- Enforce the Vacant Lot Clearing Requirements (H&S 14875-14922)
- Implement a Community Chipper Program
- Work with the CDF on their Vegetation Management Program

Public Education Elements

- Educate the community about hazards awareness and prevention
- Establish Volunteers In Prevention Program
- Create Demonstration Lots
- Educate community on fire safe landscaping
- Develop Public Displays & Education Materials
- Design Web Page
- Create Public Recognition Program