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Robb Etnyer
General Manager
Truckee Tahoe Airport District

Dear Mr. Etnyer,

As Acting District Ranger for the Truckee Ranger District of the Tahoe National Forest (TNF), I am pleased to confirm our commitment to partnering with the National Forest Foundation (NFF) to implement strategic fuel reduction work within the wildland-urban interface (WUI) of Truckee, specifically within the USFS Big Jack East project area. This effort will use hand and mechanical treatments in the WUI to reduce hazardous fuels following the initial entry (2019–2021) of the forest health project. The work will establish an up to 450-foot buffer along the Forest Service–private property boundary to moderate potential wildfire behavior and improve suppression effectiveness.

TNF and NFF have collaborated for nearly a decade to advance priority forest health and wildfire resilience projects. NFF is a trusted partner that provides essential project management capacity and funding support, operating under a master stewardship agreement and supplemental project agreements that authorize on-the-ground implementation.

This project is the first phase of the broader Truckee WUI Maintenance Strategy, being developed by TNF, NFF, and the Middle Truckee River Watershed Forest Partnership (MTRWFP). The effort will coordinate state, local, and federal wildfire experts, along with key land managers, to plan, prioritize, fund, and implement fuel reduction projects that reduce wildfire risk to the Truckee community. This WUI maintenance strategy will complement the approximately 60,000 acres of forest health treatments being planned and implemented across the Middle Truckee watershed under the MTRWFP's 10-year Vegetation Management Strategy.

Thank you for your consideration of funding for this important project. The Truckee Tahoe Airport District's support is critical to advancing wildfire risk reduction efforts and protecting our community and surrounding landscapes.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Rachel Hutchinson, District Ranger, 530-562-7517.

Sincerely,

Rachel Hutchinson
District Ranger (Acting)

