

Prescribed Fire in California



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CALIFORNIA'S STRATEGIC PLAN FOR EXPANDING THE USE OF BENEFICIAL FIRE

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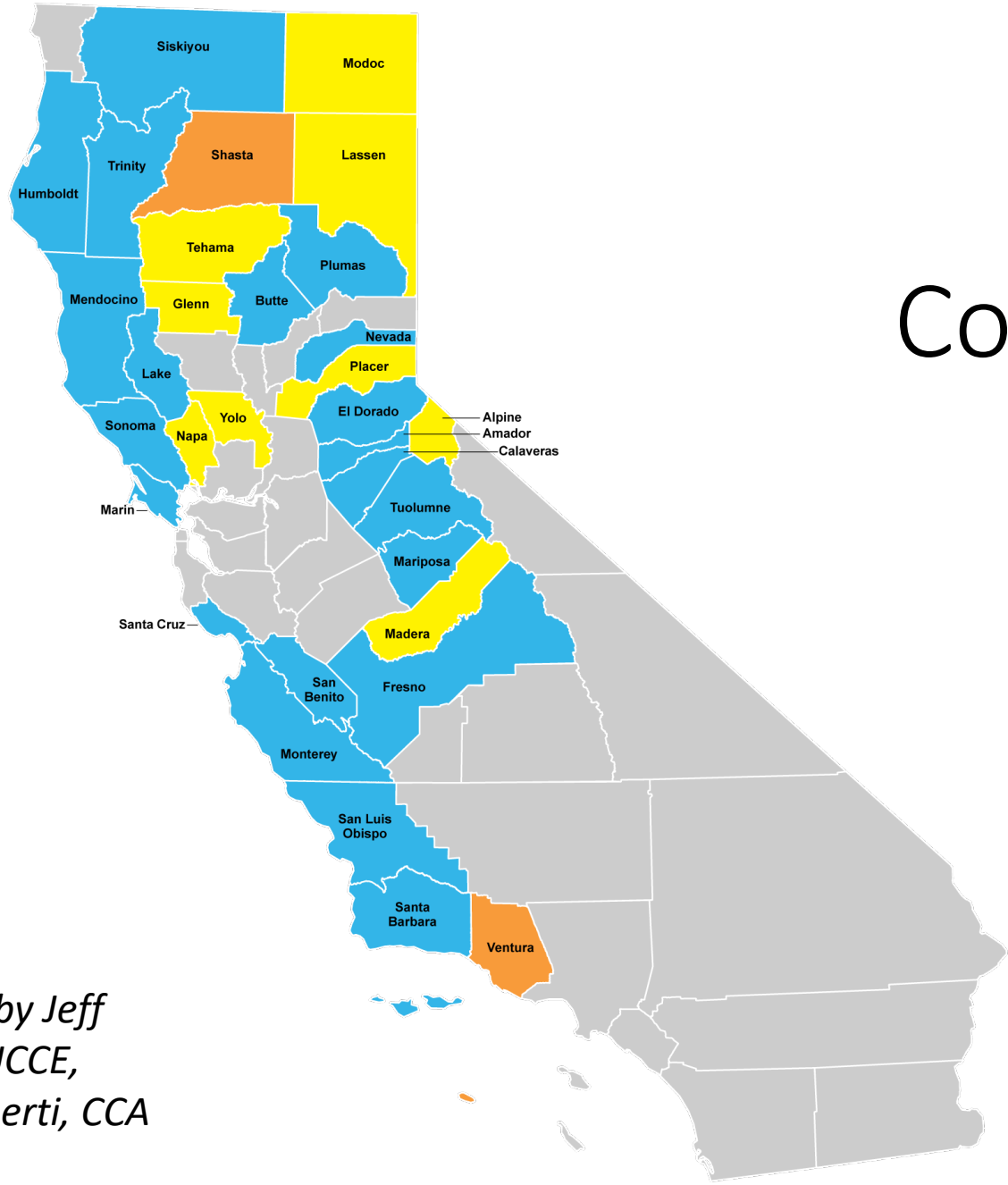


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“How do you prescribe burn a million acres in California? With a million landowners.” Chris Paulus Rx Fire Academy workshop today.



Community-based Rx fire groups in CA



Map created by Jeff Stackhouse, UCCE, and Katie Roberti, CCA

Humboldt County Prescribed Burn Association



Cultural Fire Management Council



Klamath Prescribed Fire Training Exchange (TREX)



Butte PBA & Plumas Underburn Cooperative





Good Fire Alliance







Policy Changes

- ❖ State-Certified Burn Boss Program (SB1260)
- ❖ Gross Negligence Liability Law (SB332)
- ❖ Prescribed Fire Claims Fund
(SB926/trailer bill)

CA State-Certified Burn Boss (CARX) Program





CA Prescribed Fire Claims Fund

- \$20 million set aside in state wildfire budget in 2021
- Now...how to operationalize the fund?
- Critical decisions
 - Who has access to the fund?
 - How do we accommodate cultural burning?
 - Maximum claims?
 - How do we cover damages beyond the maximum claim amount? (Engage private insurers?)

Thank you!



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