Update on Post Fire Debris Management in Sonoma and Mendocino Counties

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Presentation Outline

- ☐ Debris Management Framework
- ☐ Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Disaster-Related Debris
- Sonoma County Update
- ☐ Republic Services Update
- ☐ 2018 Wildfire Update



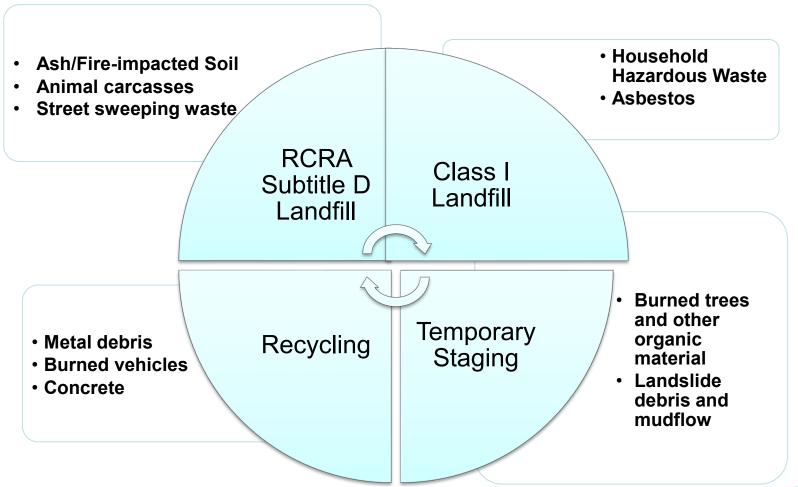
Debris Management Framework

- ☐ Federal Agencies
 - ☐ FEMA
 - ☐ US Army Corps of Engineers
 - ☐ US EPA
- ☐ State and Local Partners
 - ☐ CA Office of Emergency Services
 - County of Sonoma
 - ☐ City of Santa Rosa
- ☐ Debris Task Force
- ☐ Mendocino County





Fire Debris Management







Conditional Waiver

Conditional Waiver of Waste Discharge Requirements for Disaster-Related Waste During a State of Emergency in the North Coast Region

- Timeline
 - October 9, 2017 Governor's Disaster Proclamation
 - November 3, 2017 Temporary Waiver Order
 - December 13, 2017 Final Waiver Order
- Applicability
 - Fires, floods, storms, earthquakes, and mass animal mortalities
 - Waste disposal and staging at municipal solid waste landfills
 - Temporary waste staging areas and surface Impoundments
- Enrollment
 - Submit Notice of Intent within 30 day of start of operations



Conditional Waiver

- ☐ Current Enrollees in Sonoma County
 - Republic Services (Sonoma County Central Landfill)
 - Pacific Recycling Solutions (Pruitt Industrial Park, Windsor)
 - M&M Services (Pacific Sanitation, Windsor)
 - Soiland Company (Stony Point Quarry, Cotati)
 - County of Sonoma (Airport SWDS)
- ☐ No Current Enrollees in Mendocino County
- ☐ Other Facilities not requiring coverage



Debris Management "Hot Wash"

What Worked:

- Luck
- Effective Coordination with Local Agencies and Industry
- Rapid Response from Local Industry
- Rapid Debris Cleanup

Opportunities for Improvement:

- Improved coordination with Cal OES
- Better Emergency Response Planning
 - Landfill Operation and Management
 - Pre-selected Waste Staging Areas



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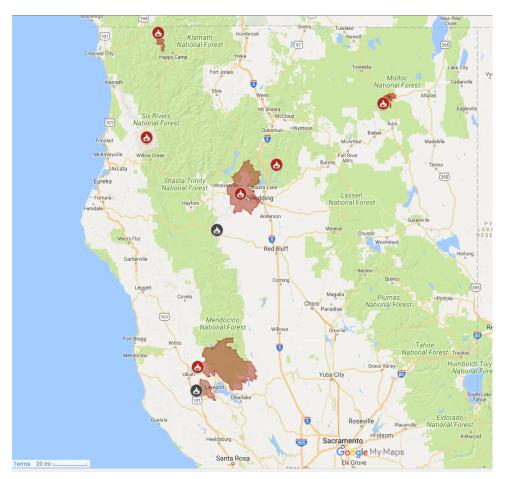
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2018 Wildfire Update

- Klamathon Fire
- Carr Fire
- Range Fire
- Ranch Fire
- Natchez Fire
- Mill Creek Fire
- CalFIRE Incident Map and Details
 http://www.fire.ca.gov/c urrent incidents/





Klamathon Fire

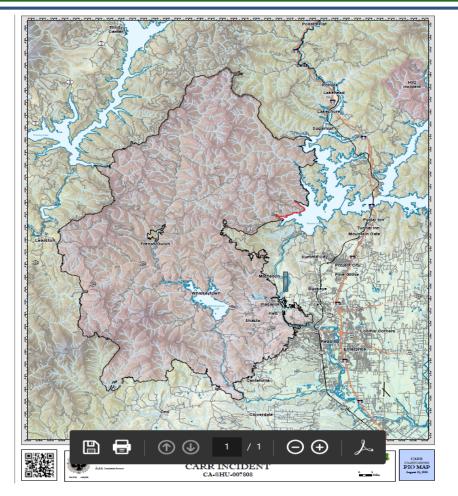
- County: Siskiyou
- Location: off Klamathon Road and Copco Road, south of Hornbrook
- Acres Burned Containment: 38,008 acres
 - 100% contained
- Structures Destroyed: 82 destroyed, 12 damaged





Carr Fire

- Counties: Shasta, Trinity
- <u>Location</u>: Hwy 299 and Carr Powerhouse Rd, Whiskeytown
- Acres Burned Containment:
 229,651 acres 100% contained
- Structures Destroyed: 1,079
 residences, 22 commercial
 structures, 503 outbuildings
 destroyed 190 residences, 26
 commercial structures, and 61
 outbuildings damaged





Mendocino Complex Fire

River Fire

- Counties: Lake, Mendocino
- <u>Location</u>: Old River Rd, near Mile Marker Post 7.9, Hopland
- Acres Burned Containment:
 48,920 acres 100% contained
- Structures Threatened: 1,025
- Structures Destroyed: 146 residences / 118 other

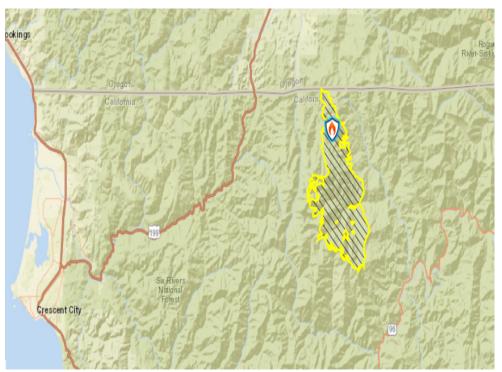
Ranch Fire

- Counties: Colusa, Lake,
 Mendocino
- <u>Location</u>: off Highway 20 near
 Potter Valley, northeast of Ukiah
- Acres Burned Containment:
 410,203 acres 98% contained
- Structures Threatened: 1,025
- Structures Destroyed: 147 residences / 118 other



Natchez Fire

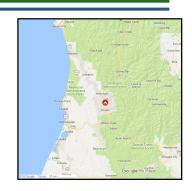
- Counties: Del Norte, Siskiyou
- Location: south of the Oregon/California border between Happy Camp, CA and Cave Junction, OR
- Acres Burned Containment:
 29,492 acres 70% contained





(Hoopa) Mill Creek Fire

- Counties: Humboldt
- Location: Adjacent to Hwy 96, northeast of Hoopa
- Acres Burned Containment:
 3,674 acres 100% contained







2018 Wildfire Debris Management

Conclusions:

- Fires limited to rural, remote areas
- Residential damage is limited
- Private fire debris disposal dominates
- County LEAs and CUPAs are managing recovery

