



# Marin-04 Tam Valley (Mill Valley)

Shaded Fuel Break, Ingress/Egress Project

#### **Funding Amount**

\$33,000

#### **Fiscal Sponsor**

FIRESafe Marin PO Box 2831 San Anselmo, CA 94979

#### **Project Location**

- Eastern Wellesley Ave. (length about 700')
  - o (37.8863,-122.5346 to 37.8877,-122.5334)
- Western Wellesley Ave. (length about 1000')
  - o (37.8820,-122.5363 to 37.8839,-122.5335)
- West California Ave. (length about 800')
  - o (37.8883,-122.5426 to 37.8898,-122.5413)

#### **Project Summary/Description**

Beginning in June 2017, vegetation removal work will take place on two sections of Wellesley Avenue and one section of West California Ave in Tamalpais Valley, near Mill Valley, CA. This work will consist of removing vegetation on the sides of and above the roadway to improve emergency vehicle access and wildfire evacuation routes. All work will occur within the County right-of-way.

The right-of- way for Wellesley Avenue is 40 feet wide while the average roadway width itself is about 18 feet (in some places, only 12 feet) and often with low-hanging and side encroaching vegetation. This situation makes it difficult – sometimes impossible – for emergency vehicles to drive on the road.

Due to several, sometimes compounding factors, access by emergency vehicles is often restricted and occasionally impossible. The factors affecting access include encroaching vegetation (on the side and from above), personal vehicles often parked along the roadway (County and SMFD guidelines state that vehicles cannot be parked within 6 feet of the center-line of a road), and the encroaching vegetation frequently causing the owners of those vehicles to park ever closer to the center of the road.





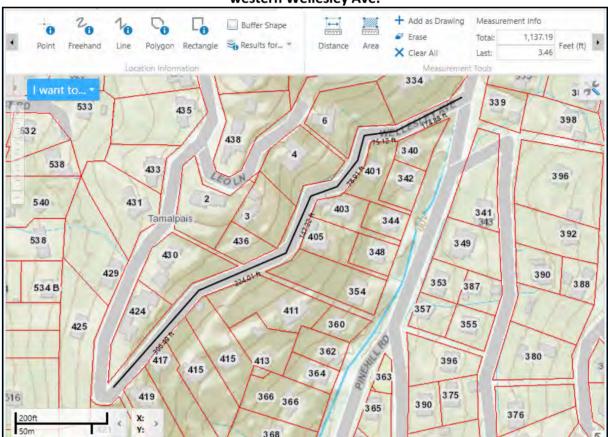
Working with Southern Marin Fire Protection District, FIRESafe MARIN will use tree services as subcontractors to remove vegetation in the right-of-way to reduce vegetation encroachment which exposes emergency vehicle access and evacuation routes to potential flame and ember impingement during a wildfire. Signage and flags will be placed in the area least 2 weeks before the work begins.

#### **Timeline**

Work to be performed will last approximately two (2) weeks and will be conducted between June 15 and September 30, 2017.

#### **PROJECT MAPS**

#### western Wellesley Ave.

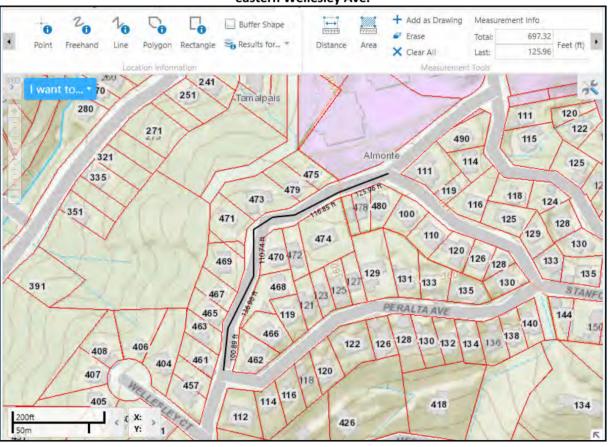


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### eastern Wellesley Ave.

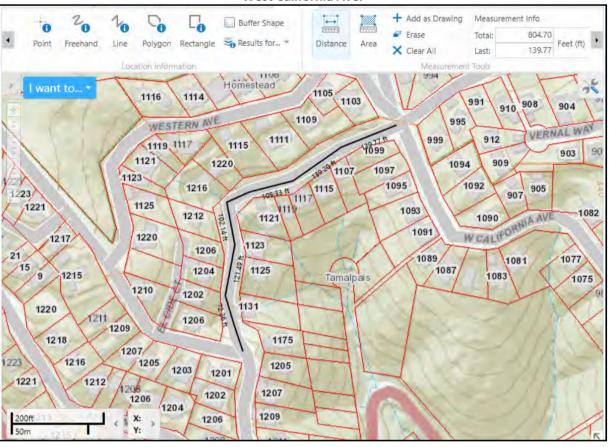


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#### West California Ave.



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