

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF LAKE TO DESIGNATE FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES IN THE LOCAL RESPONSIBILITY AREAS IN THE UNINCORPORATED LANDS OF LAKE COUNTY

WHEREAS, Section 51175 *et. seq.* of the California Government Code requires the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) to evaluate fire hazard severity in each Local responsibility Area (LRA) as well as State Responsibility Area (SRA) of the state; and

WHEREAS, CAL FIRE has revised their Fire Hazard Severity Zone maps classifying areas into "Moderate," "High," and "Very High" fire hazard zones based on factors like vegetation, slope, and fire weather conditions; and

WHEREAS, Section 51179 of the California Government Code requires the County of Lake adopt these changes within 120 days of the map's release and transmit a copy of such ordinance to CAL FIRE within 30 days of adoption; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lake held a (90) day public comment period on the adoption of the CAL FIRE proposed maps and Fire Hazard Severity Zones from February 12, 2025, to May 12, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lake intends to adopt the Fire Hazard Severity Zone maps as attached hereto (Attachment A).

NOW THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LAKE ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Part One: Section 22-2 of Article III of Chapter Twenty-Two of the Lake County Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 22-2. - Areas of Responsibility and Fire Hazard Severity Zones.

2.1 The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) has caused to be prepared a map of the County of Lake which specifies by readily identified boundaries the limits of firefighting responsibilities of the State of California and those of local agencies. A copy of this map shall be kept at the office of the County Clerk of the County of Lake and shall be available for inspection at reasonable times by the public.

2.2 The CAL FIRE has caused to be prepared a map of the County of Lake, a map of the City of Lakeport, and a map of the city of Clearlake which specify by readily identified boundaries Fire Hazard Severity Zones; classifying these zones into "Moderate," "High," and "Very High" fire hazard regions. These maps shall be kept at the office of the County Clerk of the County of Lake and shall be available for inspection at reasonable times by the public."

Part Two: CEQA. The Board of Supervisors finds this ordinance is not a project within the meaning of section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") Guidelines,

because there is no potential for the adoption of this Ordinance to result in an impact to or physical change in the environment, either directly or indirectly. In the event this Ordinance is found to be a project and subject to CEQA, it is exempt from CEQA pursuant to section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines, known as the "Common Sense" exemption, because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility of a significant effect on the environment.

Section 3: Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of the ordinance. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and every section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that one or more section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

Section 4: This ordinance shall take effect on the _____ day of _____, 2023, and before the expiration of fifteen days after its passage it shall be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Lake.

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced before the Board of Supervisors of the County of Lake on the 3rd day of June, 2025, and passed by the following vote on the _____ day of _____ 2025:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

COUNTY OF LAKE

Chair, Board of Supervisors

ORDINANCE NO. _____

ATTEST: SUSAN PARKER
Clerk to the Board of Supervisors

COUNTY OF LAKE
Chair of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____

By: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM
LLOYD GUINTIVANO
County Counsel

By: Nicole Johnson
Nicole Johnson
Sr. Deputy County Counsel

ATTACHMENT A
Fire Hazard Severity Zone Map
County of Lake

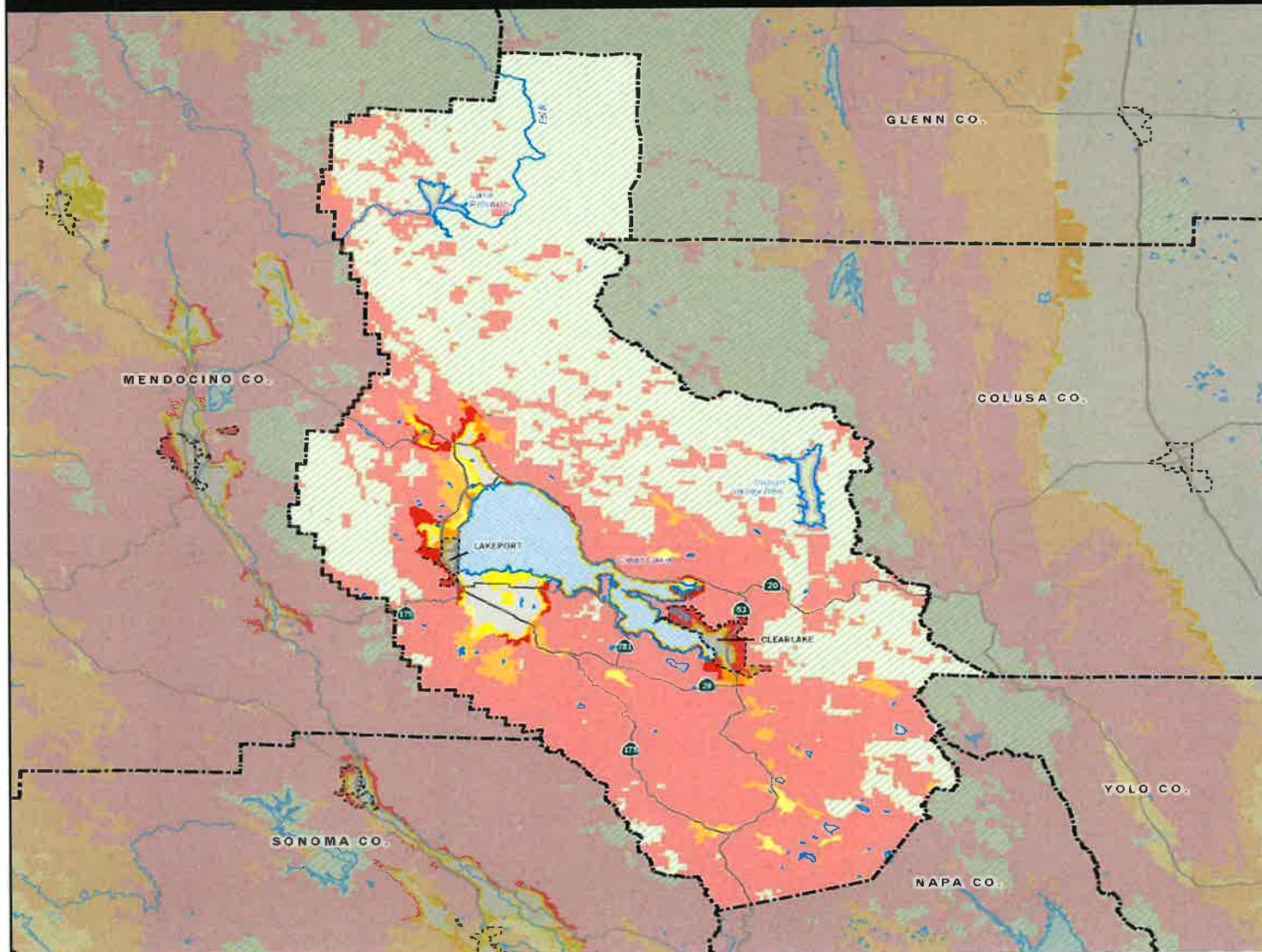


LAKE COUNTY – UNINCORPORATED LRA

**As Identified by the
State Fire Marshal**

January 22, 2025

Local Responsibility Area Fire Hazard Severity Zones



Fire Hazard Severity Zones (FHSZ) in Local Responsibility Area (LRA), as Identified by the State Fire Marshal

Very High High Moderate

Fire Hazard Severity Zones in State Responsibility Area (SRA), Effective April 1, 2024

Very High High Moderate

Mi 0 10 20
Km 0 10 20 30

Projection: NAD 83 California Teale Albers
Scale: 1:442,000 at 11" x 17"

Incorporated City Waterbody
Unzoned LRA Federal Responsibility Area (FRA)

Government Code section 51178 requires the State Fire Marshal to identify areas in the state as moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones based on consistent

statewide criteria and based on the severity of fire hazard that is expected to prevail in those areas. Moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones shall be based on fuel loading, slope, fire weather,

and other relevant factors including areas where winds have been identified by the Office of the State Fire Marshal as a major cause of wildfire spread.

The State of California and the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection make no representations or warranties regarding the accuracy of data or maps. Neither the State nor the Department shall

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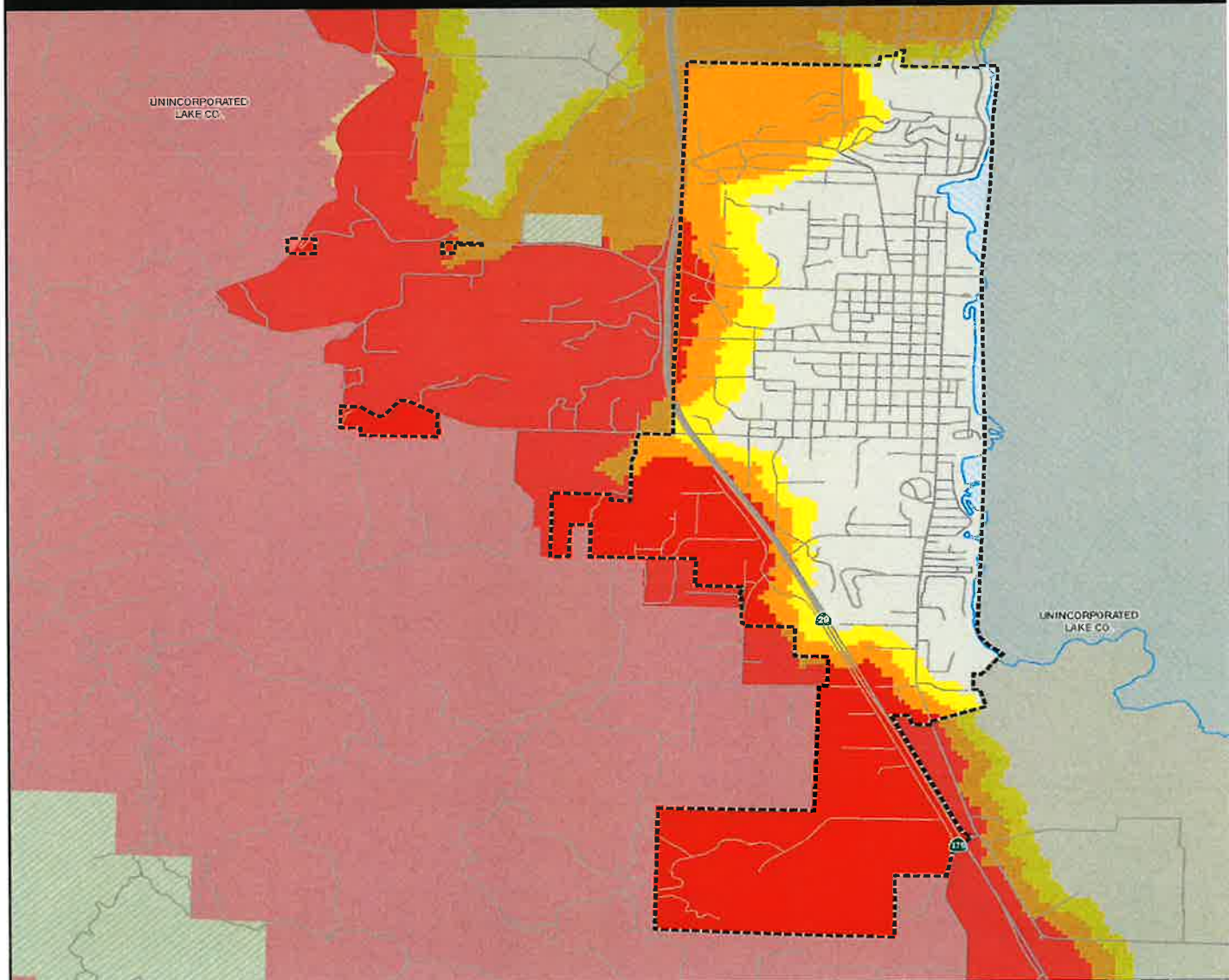
Data Sources:
CAL FIRE Fire Hazard Severity Zones (FHSZSRA23_3, FHSZLRA_25_1)

Fire Hazard Severity Zone Map
City of Lakeport

CITY OF LAKEPORT – LAKE COUNTY

Local Responsibility Area Fire Hazard Severity Zones

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January 22, 2024



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--- Incorporated City
--- Unzoned LRA
--- Waterbody
--- Federal Responsibility Area (FRA)

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CAL FIRE Fire Hazard Severity Zones (FHSZSRA23_3, FHSZLRA)
CAL FIRE State Responsibility Areas (SRA23_1)

Fire Hazard Severity Zone Map
City of Clearlake

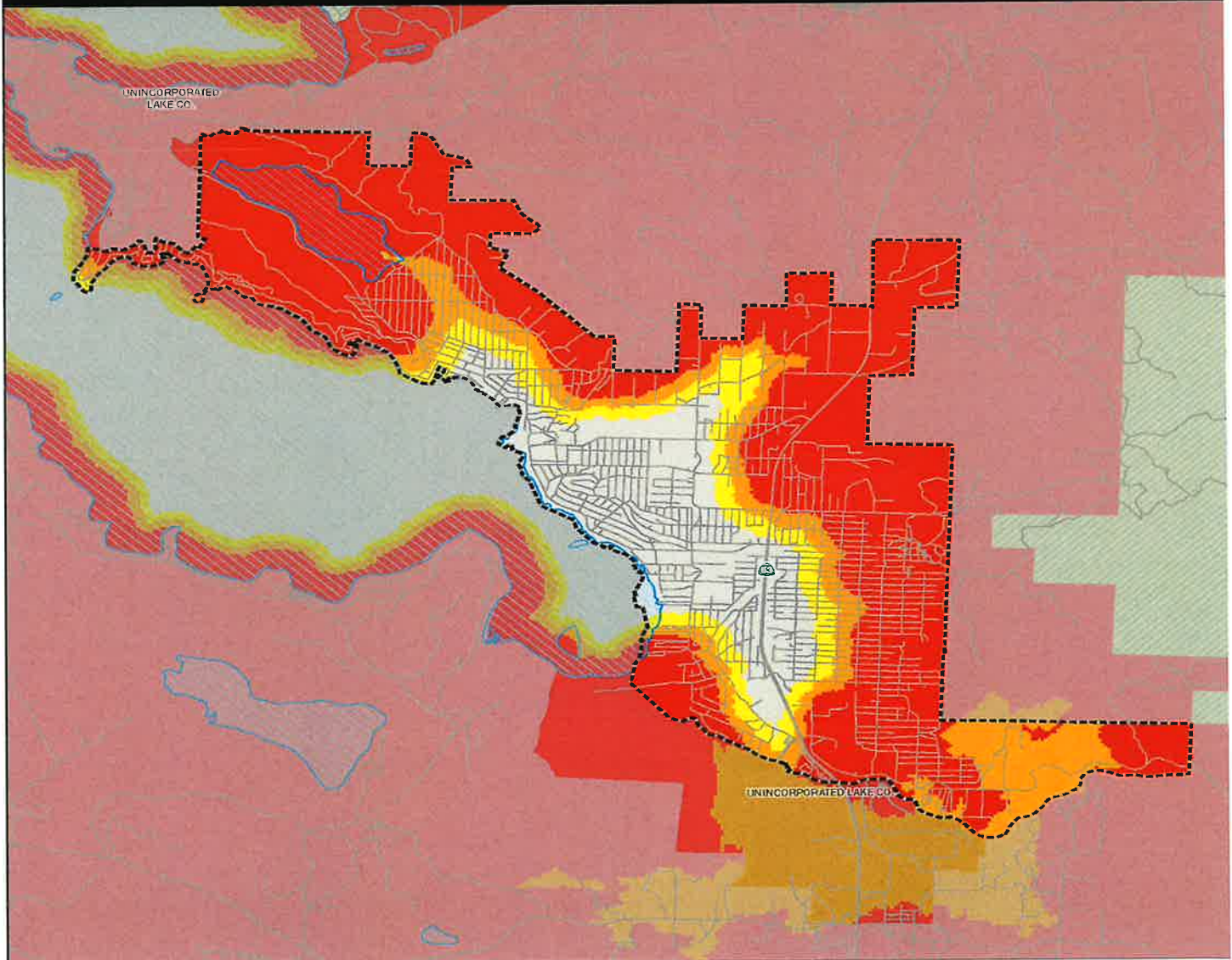
CITY OF CLEARLAKE – LAKE COUNTY



Local Responsibility Area Fire Hazard Severity Zones

As Identified by the
State Fire Marshal

January 22, 2025



Fire Hazard Severity Zones (FHSZ) in Local Responsibility Area (LRA), as Identified by the State Fire Marshal

Very High High Moderate

Fire Hazard Severity Zones in State Responsibility Area (SRA), Effective April 1, 2024

Very High High

Mi 0 1 2
Km 0 1 2 3

Projection: NAD 83 California Teale Albers
Scale: 1:45,000 at 11" x 17"

--- Incorporated City
--- Unzoned LRA
--- Waterbody
--- Federal Responsibility Area (FRA)

Government Code section 5117S requires the State Fire Marshal to identify areas in the state as moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones based on consistent

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CAL FIRE State Responsibility Areas (SRA23_1)