

# Cameron Peak Fire

# National Disaster Response Team

Monday, August 30<sup>th</sup> - Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup>

# **Teams Involved**

Prepare and Respond Team
Church of the Highlands
God's Pitcrew



# Cameron Peak Fire

August 13, 2020 - December 2, 2020

# **Impact**

Acres Burned	<b>Structures Lost</b>	<b>Homes Lost</b>	Primary Homes Lost
208,913	469	224	42

## **About**

- The Cameron Peak Fire was the largest fire in Colorado State history
- There is an elevated flood risk in the Big Thompson and Poudre Canyons due to the Cameron Peak Fire and High Park Fire burn scar of 2012
  - Black Hollow Flood- July 27, 2021. Most significant flooding event to date due to fires with 4 lives 7 structures lost.
- Top debris concern: Burned or downed trees. Dangerous in rushing flood waters.
- Other concerns are erosion, mudslides, boulders in flood waters/mudslides, contaminated drinking water

# Response

- SERVE 6.8 Priorities: 1. Life Safety 2. Sandbags 3. Mitigation Materials 4. Projects
- Lack of capacity within nonprofits and complexity of project scope has provided the opportunity for Churches to meet the needs in unique, Christ-centered ways.
- SERVE 6.8 coordinated with Larimer County to fill & distribute 25,000 sandbags to strategic locations set by hydrology and watershed experts (serve68.org/project-photos)
- Provided mitigation materials (wattles and seed) to Watershed Coalitions
- Project and Engineering assessments for private roadways and properties
- Larimer County has paid \$6 million for hazard tree removal along roadways
- LTRG has primarily overseen human service needs and is now focusing on completing projects through skilled or contracted teams
- Below project priorities set by local emergency management, the County, and Watershed Coalition to meet the greatest needs for the community.

# Crystal Park - Filing #1

#### Priority #1







# Additional Photos & Map:

serve68.org/project-photos

#### **About**

Parcel Owners	Structures Remaining	Elevation	Acres
66	4	7,666-8,739 ft	430

- Homeowners are beginning to rebuild in the area
- High flood risk in this community Road Ownership Association oversees road maintenance, but any rain can cause flooding, residents need to be ready to evacuate quickly
- High concentration of primary homeowners

#### Type of work:

- Tree felling on private properties
- Mulching

#### **Tree & Site Details:**

- Mainly lodgepole pines and Aspen Groves
- Majority 6-8" in diameter, maximum 16-18" for a small number of trees
- Average 25-30ft height
- High clearance vehicles recommended moderate access

#### **Needed tools and equipment:**

- Chainsaws
- 12" Chippers
- Skidsteer with grapple bucket
- Dingo

# Crystal Mountain Rd - Between filing 1,2,3

#### Priority #2







# Additional Photos & Map:

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#### **About**

Parcel Owners (Filing 1)	Parcel Owners (Filing 2)	Parcel Owners (Filing 3)	Elevation	Distance
66	Approx. 50	Approx. 25	7,666–8,739ft	1.4 mi road

#### **Type of Work**

- Tree Felling
  - **a.** high priority for Larimer County, cut down hazard trees as this road connects 3 communities
- Mulching
- Trees located between 40°32'02.0"N 105°24'29.2"W and 40°31'13.9"N 105°24'12.3"W along main roadway

#### **Tree Details**

- Mainly lodgepole pines and Aspen Groves
- Majority 6-8" in diameter, maximum 16-18" for a small number of trees
- Average 25-30ft height
- High clearance vehicles recommended moderate access

#### **Needed tools and equipment**

- Chainsaws
- 12" Chippers
- Skidsteer with grapple bucket
- Dingo

# Big Bear Rd

#### Priority #3

### Photos and additional assessment pending

#### **About**

Acres	Elevation	Parcel Owners
350 of treatable land	5,600 – 7,000 ft	16

- A private road, no road association maintaining the roads in the area
- Extreme terrain some locations only passable by foot
- Major flood risk due to felled trees
- Roadways have significant damage

#### Type of work:

- Tree Felling
- Mulching
- Culverts

#### **Tree Details:**

Trees expected to be very similar to Moondance Way

### **Needed tools and equipment:**

- Chainsaws
- 12" Chippers
- Skidsteer with grapple bucket
- Dingo

# Moondance Way

#### Priority #4







# Additional Photos Link & Map:

serve68.org/project-photos

#### **About**

Acres	Elevation	Parcel Owners
200 of treatable land	6,100 – 7,500 ft	16

- Private road
- Extreme terrain with steep slopes. 15% grade in certain areas some areas only passable by foot

#### Type of work:

- Tree Felling along private roadways
- Mulching

#### **Tree Details:**

- Lodgepole Pines around 25-30' tall
- Ponderosa Pines around 50' tall
- Majority of tree diameter is 6-10"
- Diameter up to 16-18" max at the base for small number of trees

### Needed tools and equipment:

- Chainsaws
- 12" Chippers
- Skidsteer with grapple bucket
- Dingo

# Lodging and Feeding

#### **Lodging Location**

City Park Church: 1725 W Mulberry St, Fort Collins CO 80525

#### **Lodging Information**

- Parking lot: 4 electric hookups for motorhomes
- Shower trailer will be available, separate shower and room inside available for women
- SERVE 6.8 will provide air mattresses, sheets, blankets, pillows, and towels
- Multiple rooms throughout the church building are dedicated to lodging and sleeping
- Two main meeting locations for team connection, briefing, and debriefing

#### **Feeding**

- Breakfast provided at City Park Church, packed lunches provided for the project site, dinner provided at City Park Church
- Allergy and dietary restrictions can be accommodated on request
- Other restaurant recommendations below

#### **Hospitality Offered**

- Volunteer teams will provide laundering services as needed
- Teams will come in to clean the building to adhere to COVID protocols
- Volunteers will pick up incoming teams as they arrive at the airport we will plan our pickup schedules around the arrival itinerary

#### **Covid Protocols**

- Larimer County: 59% vaccination rate, masks recommended but not required
- For the safety of all teams staying at City Park Church we will work to create "isolation pods" for teams. This means each team will have its own sleeping / meeting space and be alone outside of mealtimes. When you leave this designated space and are in an inside, public space, we ask that you wear a mask.

# Rest and Recreation

#### **Restaurant Recommendations:**

• Pizza: Beau Jos

American: Penrose Taphouse and Eatery, Austin's, Jim's Wings
 Mexican: Rio Grande Mexican, Fuzzy's Taco Shop, Los Tarascos

• Asian: Young's Café, Jaw's Sushi

• Breweries: New Belgium, Coopersmith's, Odell Brewery

• Breakfast: Silver Grill Café, Snooze, La Creperie Café

#### **Recreation:**

- Horsetooth Reservoir hiking, boating, swimming, etc.
- Lory State Park
- Rocky Mountain National Park Must make online ticket reservation before entering
- Hiking: Devil's Backbone, Horsetooth Mountain Rock, Horsetooth Falls, Soderberg Open Space, Blue Sky, Arthurs Rock, Hewlett Gulch
- Estes Park shopping, small mountain town experience
- Pearl St in Boulder shopping, views, home to CU Boulder
- Old Town Fort Collins for shopping, restaurants, etc. (College between Mulberry and Laporte)
- Fishing at Long Hagler, Boyd Lake, Horsetooth, and Lake Loveland (a day pass fishing license can be found at JAX) due to ash, we wouldn't recommend fishing in the river.
- City Park Church is across the street from City Park
- Sweetheart Winery and Events Center
- Holiday Twin Drive in Theater