



Hayfork and Burnt Ranch California Grow Site Complexes Reclamation Helicopter Operation Synopsis November 30 and December 3, 2018

Reclamation Statistics

Organizations Involved

Governmental: California Department of Fish and Wildlife Law Enforcement Division (CDFW-LED), Trinity County Resource Conservation District (TCRCD), California Conservation Corps (CCC), Trinity County Sheriff's Office (TCSO), and California Army National Guard (CANG)

Non-Governmental: Integral Ecology Research Center (IERC) and The Watershed Research and Training Center (WRTC)

Reclamation Organizers: Dr. Greta Wengert and Ivan Medel (IERC); Ian Erickson (TCRCD); Tom Evans (WRTC).

Funding Support: Specific funding for the reclamation of these trespass cannabis cultivation complexes was provided by a **California Department of Fish and Wildlife Cannabis Restoration Grant** to Integral Ecology Research Center.

Logistical and Match Support: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife Law Enforcement Division assisted with coordination and provided both law enforcement officers and vehicles as a force multiplier for this effort.

Statistics

Number of cannabis complexes reclaimed: Eight (8)

Number of independent sites reclaimed: Nine (9)

Locations: Shasta-Trinity and Six Rivers National Forests

Watersheds affected: Trinity River and Hayfork Creek

Species of conservation concern affected: foothill yellow-legged frog, Pacific fisher, western pond turtle, southern torrent salamander, northern spotted owl, steelhead trout, chinook and coho salmon

Personnel: IERC (5), CCC (15), WRTC (9), TCRCD (4), CDFW-LED (5), CANG (2), TCSO (4)

Trash and infrastructure removed during reclamation: 13,380 lbs (6.7 tons)

Irrigation pipe removed during reclamation: 5.9 miles (31,034 ft)

Long-line loads: 33 loads (Total long-line flight time ~ 6.8 hrs)



Top Photo Left: One of several irrigation pipe loads, which were diverting streams.
Top Photo Right: Amount of refuse removed from one complex.
Bottom Photo: A delighted team following a successful reclamation operation on National Forest Lands.

