



Kensington Community Services District

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TO: Board of Directors

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SUBJECT: Emergency Preparedness Coordinator Report

The following table outlines the status of the 2024-2025 Kensington Fire Protection District's Work Plan.

Projects	Status Update
2024-2025 KFPD Work Plan	
1. Red Flag Parking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3/6 Provided Red Flag Ready and associated materials to GM for Red Flag Roundtable meeting ● 3/1 Work with Board Admin to assemble historical documents / campaigns re: Red Flag ● 2/2 GM Meeting re: Red Flag Initiatives – pending workshop with Chiefs to affirm deliverables ● 11/17/25 Red Flag Parking Pilot Report provided to KCSD GM for review ● 8/15/25 Red Flag Parking Pilot Report re: Willamette Ave Study provided to KFPD GM for Board review.
2. Hazardous Vegetation Removal Reimbursement Grant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3/5 Started site visits and application validation ● 3/1 Launched Application campaign for current grant filing period ● 2/4 FSK/Redtail Ridge program announcement strategy ● 1/23 Firewise distribution email announcement ● 1/20 Firewise Lead meeting – program announcement

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 1/6 Provided public info to Kensington Outlook for 2/26 publication ● 12/29/25 Updated the resident application interface and branding, development of public outreach campaign for launch in 2026. ● 12/12/25 Provided revised HVRR for GM review and approval ● 11/26/25 Program final draft provided to GM for KCSD December Board meeting packet ● 11/24/25 Program second draft provided to GM ● 11/17/25 Meeting with GM to review program development ● 11/14/25 provided a revised program outline to GM for review.
<p style="text-align: center;">3. House Hardening</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3/6 submitted KEEP program to GM for Monthly Board Meeting Consideration ● 2/26/26 Present KEEP program to EP Committee ● 2/25/26 Discuss KEEP program to GM ● 2/19/26 Wildfire Defense Mesh Meeting w Vendor ● 2/4/2026 Wildfire Defense Mesh meeting- Mesh Pilot Platform ● 2/3/26 KEEP Development subcommittee meeting ● 1/25/26 KEEP Development subcommittee meeting ● 1/22/26 EPC Meeting Kensington Ember Exclusion Program Overview subcommittee formation ● 1/15-1/16/26 CAL FIRE Qualified Entities Training support for Kensington attendees ● 12/31/25 Finalize pilot program for KCSD consideration. ● 11/30/25 Proposed adding initiative to the Jan 2026 meeting for KCSD Board review. ● 11/21/25 Wildfire Defense Mesh meeting request materials/data for program development ● 11/18/25 Wildfire Defense Mesh Concept provided to GM

<p>4. Hazardous Vegetation Impacting Evacuation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3/1 Correspond with Fire Prevention Office regarding HVRR program and inquiries re: vegetation ● 11/17/25 Draft Memo provided to GM for Fire Department review and consideration on 12/2.
<p>5. Firewise Development/Support</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3/3/26 Firewise Touchpoint with Various Firewise leads ● 3/1/2026 DFSC presentation 700 Coventry & Ardcove Island ● 2/20/26 Trinity & Cambridge Firewise Application submitted ● 2/5/26 Trinity & Cambridge Firewise application started ● 2/3/26 prospective lead announcement to neighbors to identify co-leads ● 1/25/26 FSK + Kensington Library Public Presentation for March Development ● 1/22/26 Follow up with prospective Lead for Firewise Development ● 1/20/26 Firewise Lead meeting potluck ● 1/16/26 Develop resource binder for each Firewise lead ● 12/29 provide door hangers to first phase of distribution ● 12/17/25 Coordinate with Alameda County Coordinator to facilitate CAL FIRE Qualified Entities Training for Firewise Leads ● 12/12/25 Develop Firewise Lead Meeting for 1/2026 ● 12/9/205 Stage doorhangers for first phase of outreach via Firewise Leads and FSK. ● 12/6/25 Shakespeare Cluster/DFSC Event ● 12/4/25 Academic Hill Firewise Block Party ● 12/1/25 Academic Hill Lead Coordination Meeting ● 11/26/25 Tilden Firewise boundary expanded to include Summit Reservoir ● 11/17 Colgate-Columbia Firewise Lead Presentation ● 11/12/25 Firewise Rising Lead Meeting

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 11/9/25 Academic Hill Firewise Application for Recognition Filed ● 10/28/25 Firewise Development Meeting (Academic Hill)
6. Long Range Acoustic Devices	N/A
7. Evacuation Drills/ Guidelines /Communication Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3/5/26 Provide communication framework for Red Flag Warnings to GM / Chiefs ● 2/4/26 Provided Richmond Evacuation Drill announcement to GM ● 1/8/26 flags sent for storage at Community Center ● 12/10/25 Requested staff to develop storage for flags to be accessible to volunteers for Red Flag Days. ● 11/16/25 Kingston Block Party Material Support ● 10/18/25 Public Outreach Materials provided to KCC ● 10/11/25 Red Flag Ready Fest Event -promoting Red Flag Day protocols ● 9/1/25 Developed Publication to promote Watch Duty as an additional tool for real-time communication re: local incidents to improve resident decision-making for evacuation.
8. Earthquake Preparedness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3/2/2026 Discuss EQ Response needs with CERT to develop strategic initiative
9. CERT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3/3/2026 Draft CERT Fire Plug Outlook article provided to CERT members and approved ● 3/2/2026 Meeting with El Cerrito & Kensington residents re: CERT restart