

# Forest Health Projects Reducing Risk of Catastrophic Wildfire - Photos and Descriptions



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**Tree Work Sign:** Bright orange signs warn motorists that forest management work is taking place ahead.

**Black Springs Project Area:** This section of Forest in the Black Springs Project area was thinned in 2019 to reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfire.





**Masticators:** These machines are called masticators and they remove small trees and vegetation using drums with teeth spinning at high speeds.



**John Q. Walking Through Forest:** John Quidachay, Vice President of the Forestry Division of Landmark Environmental, Inc., walks through a portion of the Pumpkin Hollow Project that was thinned in October of this year.



**Local Tree Thinning Crew:** Local contractors from Camp Connell stand next to a large masticator they are using to selectively thin the forest to reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfire and improve the health of the Mokelumne watershed.