The guidelines are to be utilized by the City when conducting fire fuel load reduction efforts on any property (primarily City-owned, but in some instances private) within the City. While it is recognized that any specific site being considered for fuel load reduction efforts will have its own unique characteristics that will require varying approaches, the guidelines are intended to provide the City with a very basic and consistent approach for fuel load reduction efforts.

The guidelines include the following provisions:

- 1. Tree species less than 6 inches dbh (diameter at breast height) will be selectively identified for removal.
- 2. Tree species larger than 6 inches dbh will have limbs trimmed and/or removed up to 6 feet in height.
- 3. Diseased, dying or dead trees will be selectively identified for removal if they are deemed to represent a hazard (e.g., the tree is in danger of falling and damaging public or private property and/or blocking natural drainage ways, and/or the tree represents a significant source of fire fuel load in the opinion of the City Fire Department.)
- 4. Waterway avoidance areas will be 30-50 ft. from the waterways to preserve habitats and water quality.
- 5. The City Of Rocklin has a Streambed Alteration Agreement with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife that limits the time and manner of maintenance work in areas that could have substantial adverse effects on fish and wildlife resources. The proposed project will comply with all aspects of this agreement.