## SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

## Department of Forestry Fuels Management

To: Ways and Means Full Committee From: Natural Resources Subcommittee

Carrier: Representative Pham

On February 7th, the Natural Resources Subcommittee recommended retroactive approval of the submission of two federal grant applications from the Department of Forestry to the Bureau of Land Management totaling \$1.2 million for the management and reduction of wildfire fuels.

This federal opportunity is aimed at reducing the risk and impact of catastrophic wildfires to communities in wildland-urban interface areas through fuels management and wildfire prevention education for landowners. The grant applications for the same federal opportunity include \$900,000 for efforts in the Department's Southwest Oregon District and \$300,000 for efforts in the South Cascades District. Because a state match is encouraged, the Southwest Office will commit \$50,000 of in-kind match. No additional funding or staff will be necessary for grant implementation.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends approval.