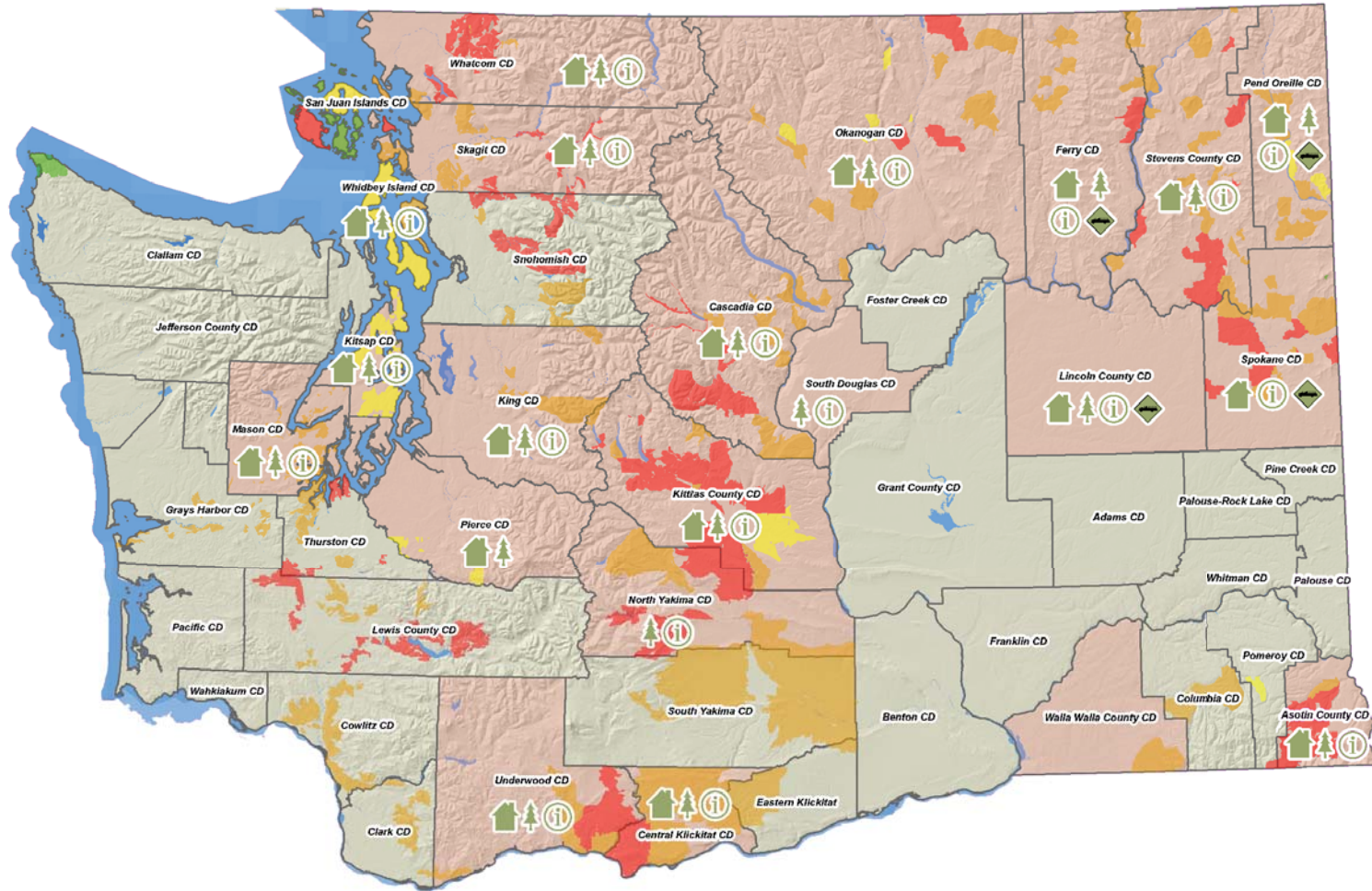


FIREWISE PROGRAM

FUNDS EXPENDED (FY17)

\$991,243

The Washington State Conservation Commission — in consultation with the DNR — administered funds for conservation districts to implement local Firewise activities. Individual landowners and entire communities were engaged in activities that help prepare and manage property in a way that reduces risk of wildfire damage.






IN THEIR OWN WORDS – EXPERIENCE WITH FIREWISE:

“I had not considered the specific dangers and what could be done to lessen them, only that I was moving to a high fire danger area. Learning that there was funding and expertise available to lessen the real dangers we face in Ferry County was a great relief not only economically, but I will sleep better with less worry.”

Wayne Christopherson on Ferry Conservation District’s Firewise service

LEGEND

-  Conservation District Boundaries
-  2016-17 Firewise Grants
-  Hydro

WILDLAND-URBAN INTERFACE HAZARD RATING:

-  Low
-  Moderate
-  High
-  Extreme

CONSERVATION DISTRICT FIREWISE ACTIVITIES:

-  Site Assessments
-  BMP Implementation
-  Workshops / Education
-  Emergency Signage

EXAMPLES OF ACTIVITIES FUNDED THROUGH FIREWISE



After the 2016 Suncrest Fire, fire chiefs praised landowners’ use of Firewise principles, which allowed for safe, efficient response and resulted in no structure loss.

Your Home & Wildfires

Schedule your FREE Firewise Risk Assessment, including:

- Basics of wild fire behavior and how homes ignite
- Important home ignition risks
- Easy steps to reduce threat of unnecessary losses
- Firewise funding opportunities
- Free Address Sign to help firefighters find your home



Be prepared before another wildfire strikes your area.

Spokane Conservation District answered several calls for Firewise assistance after they used billboards to advertise free services for landowners.



North Yakima Conservation District was one of several conservation districts that used a mobile wood chipper to remove branches and stumps that can provide fuel to wildfires.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

140,298
landowners provided with
Firewise information

1,397
landowners assisted
to implement Firewise
practices

717
home or community-scale
Firewise assessments
completed

601
acres treated for fuels
reduction

31
communities assisted to
achieve Firewise recognition

827
homes provided with
signage to direct
emergency responders

MORE INFORMATION

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- Learn more about our Firewise funding: scc.wa.gov/firewise
- Learn more about Firewise principles: firewise.org