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Subject line: Fire fuel reduction project to close Claremont Avenue to traffic from 9AM to 3PM, on weekdays November 17 to January 15, 2020.

The Claremont Canyon Evacuation Improvement Project will close Claremont Avenue to vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian traffic from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM on weekdays starting Tuesday, November 17, through Friday, January 15, 2021. Traffic will be redirected from the intersection of Claremont Avenue and Alvarado Road, to the intersection of Claremont Avenue and Grizzly Peak Boulevard. Road will not be closed on weekends and holidays (November 26 and December 24 and 25, 2020). The Claremont Canyon Evacuation Improvement project is comprised of fire fuel mitigation work along upper Claremont Avenue on lands owned University of California, Berkeley. Project activities will take place within University property 100 feet of the edge of pavement along Claremont Avenue. Total project area is approximately 18 acres.

This project will support safe emergency evacuation on Claremont Avenue should a landslide or wildfire would occur. Currently ,there are numerous trees and abundant shrubby fuels near Claremont Avenue that can fall across the road and block traffic, or burn with such intensity that passage would be prohibited during a wildfire. This work is part of other fire management plan implementation activities in the University of California, Berkeley Hill Campus.

For more information contact UCB Facilities Services at <u>www.facilities.berkeley.edu</u> or 510 642-1032.

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FUEL REDUCTION UNDERWAY

Claremont Canyon Evacuation Improvement Project

Claremont Ave. closed 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Tuesday, Nov. 17 – Friday, January 15, 2021 Road closure not in effect weekends and 11/26, 12/24-25

from the intersection of Claremont Ave./Alvarado Rd. to the intersection of Claremont Ave./Grizzly Peak Blvd.

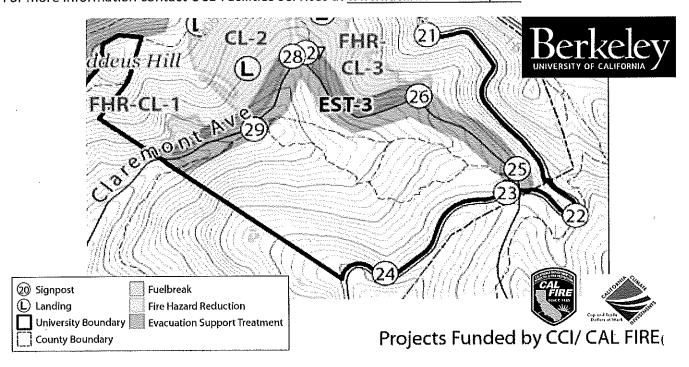
The project is comprised of fire fuel mitigation work along upper Claremont Ave. on lands owned by University of California, Berkeley (UCB). Project activities will take place within UCB Property 100 feet of the edge of pavement along Claremont Ave. The location of work is indicated on the map below, labelled as EST-3. Total project area is approximately 18 acres.

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This work is part of the other fire management plan implementation activities in the Hill Campus.

The goal is to improve life safety and reduce loss from wildfires by supporting the conversion of the existing fire-prone forest near the road to vegetation with more favorable burning characteristics.

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