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**Santa Clara County FireSafe Council  
Guidelines for Hazardous Brush and Tree Removal**

All hazardous fuel reduction work sponsored by the Santa Clara County FireSafe Council shall follow these guidelines:

- 1) No work shall be performed in an area while it is a Red Flag day (see <http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/cafw/index.php> for Red Flag days).
- 2) When work is done the following shall be on site:
  - a) An operational and readily available pump/back pack or portable water fire extinguisher
  - b) A readily available McLeod hoe/rack and shovel
  - c) A first aid kit
- 3) Additional guidelines as set forth by the agency and/or large property owners where work is done shall be adhered to.
- 4) All Federal, State and local safety rules and guidelines shall be adhered to.
- 5) Santa Clara County FireSafe Council representatives reserve the right to make visits to the site to insure these rules are adhered to.

Fuel reduction contractors are responsible for the safe operation of their equipment and safety of their crews. Additional responsibilities and provisions are in each Independent Contractor Agreement with the Santa Clara County FireSafe Council.