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# THE GRIZZLY REPORT

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## Launching GrizzlyCorps' First Cohort

After much anticipation, GrizzlyCorps is thrilled to have begun our first service year with such an incredible cohort of fellows. Now nearly 4 months into the program, our fellows have been working on a diverse range of critical capacity-building projects all over the state. We would like to give a special thank you to our sponsors, the board members of CLEE, and our project partners for making this possible.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The GrizzlyCorps Site partner application for 2021-2022 Service year is now open. Please visit our website for more information & to view this year's application!
  - New Website redesign
- We have officially begun our 2020 Giving Tuesday campaign!
  - Ongoing until January 31st
- Our fellows attended their first conference of the year, hosted by the California Association of Resource Conservation Districts.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS  
FROM OUR TEAM !

“ Our communities are reaching a tipping point where we must continue to expand our impact through new programs and ideas. Our GrizzlyCorps fellows have been on the frontlines of that expansion; continuing existing projects, designing and implementing new ones, and constantly rethinking how we solve the issues we face, ”

– Tim Borden, Land Stewardship  
Coordinator for the McConnell  
Foundation.





## FELLOW HIGHLIGHTS ✨



**Delphine & Jenna** (*The McConnell Foundation*) have been helping with implementation of their organization's Healthy Soils Grant, along with spearheading the development of Redding County's first Prescribed Burn Association in collaboration with the Pit River Tribe, a band of 11 indigenous peoples across northeast California.



**Jessie** (*UC Cooperative Extension, Fresno*) has been hosting events for small and under-served farmers in Fresno County through informational sessions and application assistance for the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program (CFAP), which provides critical financial help for farmers with the highest need.

**Jason** (*El Dorado & Georgetown Divide RCD*) has been helping conduct gap analyses for several projects, one of which includes working with a seedling nursery program where they manage the planting of 15 million trees in the state — he is excited to assist in 250,000 new plantings coming up.

## IN THE NEWS

### Partner Profile: GrizzlyCorps

11/10/20

CALCAN BLOG

In early September, the worsening impacts of the climate crisis were felt acutely all over California as one of the state's most destructive wildfire seasons caused hazy skies and dangerous air quality. Under uniquely orange and smoky skies...(Read the rest [here](#).)

### Roaring Into Action

10/9/20

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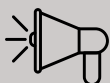
Berkeley Law's top-ranked environmental law program is blazing yet another new trail with the launch of GrizzlyCorps. Developed by Project Climate within the school's Center for Law, Energy & the Environment (CLEE), GrizzlyCorps is...(Read the rest [here](#).)

## GRIZZLY VOICES

### Our Responsibility to Steward

BY BRYCE HUTCHINS

12/2/20



I am spending my term of service with the Mendocino County Resource Conservation District, where I am fortunate to have the opportunity to interact with many of the community's land managers through our outreach and technical assistance programs. During the past two months I have observed that there is a lot of responsibility that comes with living in a rural area. An understanding of what this means is expressed by the residents of Mendocino County to varying degrees, yet it is increasingly becoming a necessary reality for all of them due to the unprecedented threats of wildfire and the effects of climate change...(Read the rest [here](#).)

### Braiding Sweetgrass: Book Review

BY OIA WALKER-VAN AALST

11/19/20



It takes 40 gallons of sap, tapped from maple trees and boiled down over hours, to produce 1 gallon of maple syrup. As a young person growing up in Vermont, this made sense to me; syrup, one of the supreme joys in our life, and maples, our companions in the landscape, were highly valued — gifts. But later, I was surprised to find how few others, reaching for the bottles at the grocery, knew this. Kimmerer knows this. Kimmerer is an indigenous woman, a professor, a mother, a plant scientist, a poet. She tells of her story, of her own people, and of all people—Cedars, Maples, Geese, Fungi included...(Read the rest [here](#).)

## WHAT WE'RE READING



We'd like to offer our deep thanks to PG&E and the Central Valley Foundation for their generous support of GrizzlyCorps. Thank you to the Erin Ziegler Fund for Environmental Law for its contributions to GrizzlyCorps.



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