The 2018 wildfire season was unprecedented. Most notably in California, what was extraordinary was the extreme loss of property and life, particularly during the Camp and Carr fires. If we choose not to act, communities around the state will continue to face challenges such as mudslides and degraded soil, water, and air quality for years to come.

**2018 CALIFORNIA-AREA FIRES**

Between July and December, an estimated 8,000 fires burned across California affecting more than 1.8 million acres of forestland. Five fires alone—Carr, Mendocino Complex, Camp, Hill, and Woolsey—combined to destroy more than 22,000 structures and kill more than 98 people. Losses and damages from these fires are estimated at more than $1 billion with more than $16 billion considered to be at very high risk for future damage pending action.

**OUR RESPONSE**

In addition to continued support of state and federal forest restoration efforts, the Arbor Day Foundation and its planting partners will focus on restoring large swaths of private lands—as this space is often omitted from governmental revitalization efforts. Initially, this reforestation effort aims to help impacted families recover from wildfires including the Carr and Camp Fires.
CALIFORNIA WILDFIRE RESTORATION PROJECT - PRIVATE LAND

PROJECT DETAILS

- **TREES PLANTED:** 2,000,000
- **DOLLARS LEVERAGED:** $7.5 million
- **INITIAL SCOPE:** 8,000 acres over the next four years
- **IMPACTED COUNTIES:** Shasta, Yuba, Butte, Tehama, Lassen, Plumas, Sierra, Nevada, and Placer
- **CARBON SEQUESTERED (METRIC TONS):** 382,024
- **AVOIDED RUNOFF (ML/ACRE/YEAR):** 500,000
- **AIR POLLUTANTS ABSORBED (LBS):** 204,537

TIMELINE

- **Winter 2018:** Begin seed collection and propagation
- **Spring 2019:** Finalize and announce partnerships
- **Fall 2019:** Complete seedling delivery and storage
- **Winter 2019:** Site preparation
- **Spring 2020-2022:** Plant trees

**OUR RESPONSE AREA**

Map showing the response area affected by the 2018 wildfires in California.