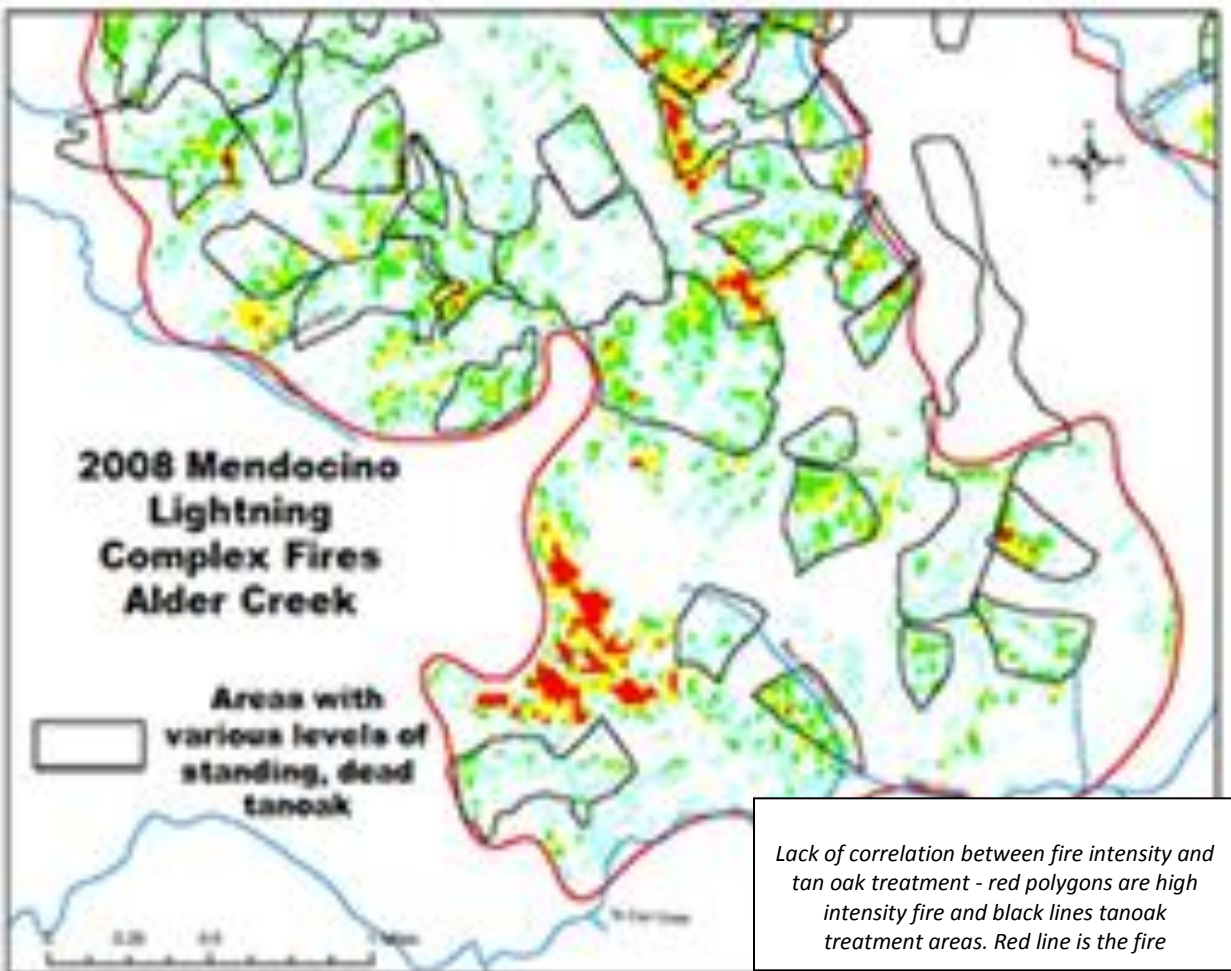


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There are many examples of wildland fires where **firefighters successfully and safely controlled fires in and adjacent to areas where tan oak** had been treated. A few examples include the 2008 Mendocino Lightning Complex fires, the Comptche Fire, and the Lodge Fire. In some instances, the fires were controlled in tan oak treatment areas.

Here's a map of the 2008 Lightning fires on MRC property lined up with tan oak treatment areas:



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*The selective treatment of tan oak is done by hand, literally tree by tree in consideration of many forest health factors. Learn more about why and how we treat tan oak here:*

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*MRC takes Fire Safety very seriously and works with all interested parties to promote forest health and safety including:*

- 1. Internal policies to encourage fire safety. These include things we have done for over a decade, such as:
  - a. Partnering with communities to place dedicated fire-water tanks, improve egress for remote neighbors and contribute to the equipment purchases of local volunteer fire district.*
  - b. Working in Sacramento to encourage investment in Mendocino county infrastructure.*
  - c. Donations of time, equipment and money to Volunteer Fire Departments**
- 2. CalFire reviews of THPs for fire safety and mitigations where appropriate.*
- 3. Strengthened practices to improve coordinating with local Fire Districts, Fire experts, Climate experts and CalFire on pilot projects for fuels hazard reduction and additional road access in the remote parts of the County.*
- 4. Our commitment and our approach to treating tan oak have been careful, focused and successful.*

*Additionally, The US Forest Service has **conducted research on the presence of herbicides in smoke** when treated areas of the forest burn. The research included five different herbicides including Imazapyr (the herbicide MRC uses in treating tan oak). The research **concluded herbicide residues is absent in the smoke** when treated areas of the forest burn. For more details on this research see the actual document on MRC's website at:*

<http://www.hrcllc.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/01/imapazyrandfire.pdf>.

*To learn more about our forest management practices and how they translate on the ground, please take us up on our publicly-stated policy of taking anyone, anywhere on the property to see our practices first hand. This includes areas in question around the fire activity and tan oak treatment. We will take anyone, anywhere on our property. You can find more information at [www.mrc.com](http://www.mrc.com) or Call 707-463-5113*

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