In response to the growing areas of the State impacted by significant tree mortality and the associated safety concerns to emergency responders and the communities at large, CAL FIRE Incident Management Team #4 was tasked with developing a pre-planning and incident response framework. This framework will serve to guide the local CAL FIRE Unit and cooperators through a process to identify a multitude of incident related information and considerations that will aid in the response to an extended or major incident in these areas. Incident Management Team #4 is in the process of meeting with each affected Unit to give the Units and their cooperators guidance on how to use the Framework and share the information with all who need it.

One component of this framework is a map specific to each impacted CAL FIRE Unit and associated counties. These maps provide first responders with information on the location of tree mortality in specific counties. The maps are currently being printed on a tri-fold document that will also contain information on firefighter safety, tree mortality characteristics, and other operational information. The tri-fold document will be distributed statewide for placement in every CAL FIRE vehicle and are due to be shipped directly to the affected Units in less than two weeks. However, the QR Codes below provide the tree mortality maps that can be accessed now from any device equipped with a QR Code scanner. Simply scan the QR Code of the specific CAL FIRE Unit(s) desired and download the associated map(s) to view the tree mortality areas.

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