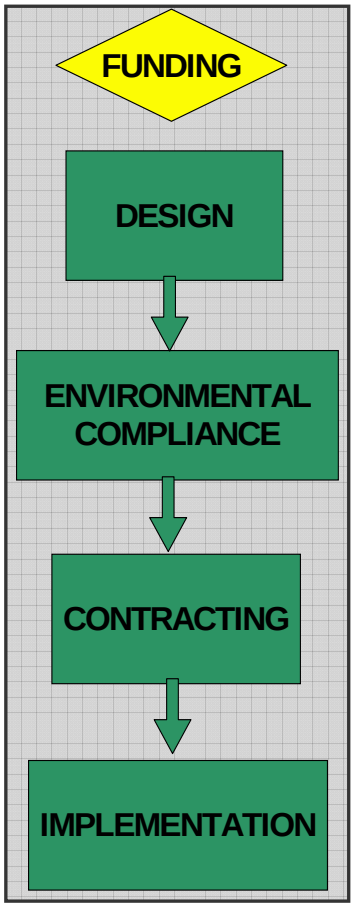
Section 3: Proposed Project Priority



To determine project priorities, all of the proposed fuel reduction projects, the projectwide values at risk, and the relative risk of fire hazard were reviewed. Projects were delineated as those that should occur in the first 5 years of treatment and those in the later 5 years of treatments. In most cases, projects that occur in the second 5 years of treatment represent maintenance or second-entry treatments, projects that require further site-specific planning, or have lowered risk as compared to other project areas. Areas of highest risk in the wildland-urban interface and where treatments were already initiated were designated first. Within the 0-to-5 and 5-to-10-year timeframes, priority projects, by county, were established by the planning cadre based on areas that were considered most at risk (Table 2, Figure 11). These projects are the first projects that should be considered during their respective timeframes.

Another consideration is the timeframe it takes to move an individual project through the process of design, compliance, contracting, and final implementation (see flow chart at right). This process may take several months to several years. Therefore, the result of this process is that any given project may actually be accomplished in a different timeframe than that established by this plan. This plan merely represents a strategic framework for the agencies responsible for implementing the projects contained within the plan.

Table 2. Priority projects (acres) and schedule by county

	Carson City		Douglas County		Washoe County		Total
	0 to 5 Years	**5 to 10 Years**	**0 to 5 Years**	**5 to 10 Years**	**0 to 5 Years**	**5 to 10 Years**	
National Forest	749	262	34	3,300	1,921	2130	8,396
Carson City	278	0	0	0	0	0	278
State Parks	20	0	0	0	1,324	0	1,344
Whittle Forest UNR	0	0	0	0	744	0	744
City Of Reno	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Washoe County	0	0	0	0	293	0	293
Private	2,207	0	258	0	3,142	0	5,607
Washoe Tribe	83	0	400	0	0	0	483
Total Priority Acres	**3,337**	**262**	**692**	**3,300**	**7,424**	**2130**	**Total *Priority* Acres: 17,145[1]**

1 Project Total All Acres = 49,000

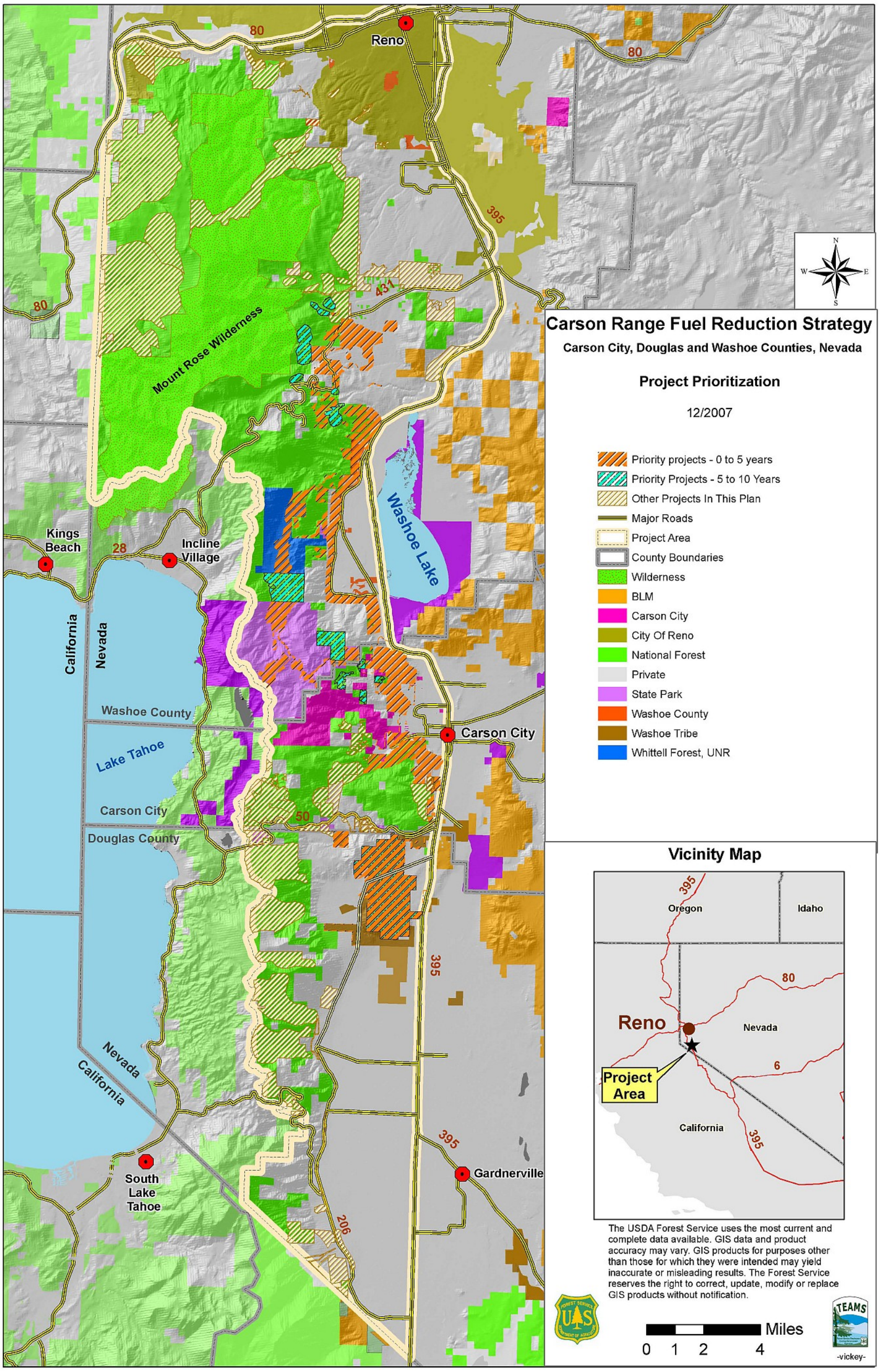


Figure 11. Priority and scheduling of projects