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Community Cluster.....2

Landscape Class.....J

Description

This group of counties covers a large part of the west, including substantial federal lands. These counties have a long history of large wildfires which conflict with the extensive Wildland Urban Interface (WUI). The footprint of the WUI is small, but many homes are consolidated in the interface with tight clusters of homes surrounded by burnable vegetation. Cross-jurisdictional solutions and partnerships may be required here to successfully reduce risk to communities. This may include use of strategic fuel breaks.

Example of a Typical County

Trinity County, California: This county’s small towns are surrounded by the Shasta Trinity National Forest and large Wilderness Areas. Large lightning fires occurred in 1987, 1999, 2006, and 2008.

Challenges and Opportunities

Vegetation and Fuels

Strategic combinations of mechanical treatments, prescribed fire use, and wildland fire use may be most effective to achieve multiple objectives. When possible, use naturally ignited wildfire, under controlled situations, to accomplish similar fuel treatment targets. There may be an active forest products industry nearby, which could support fuel treatments.

Homes, Communities and Values at Risk

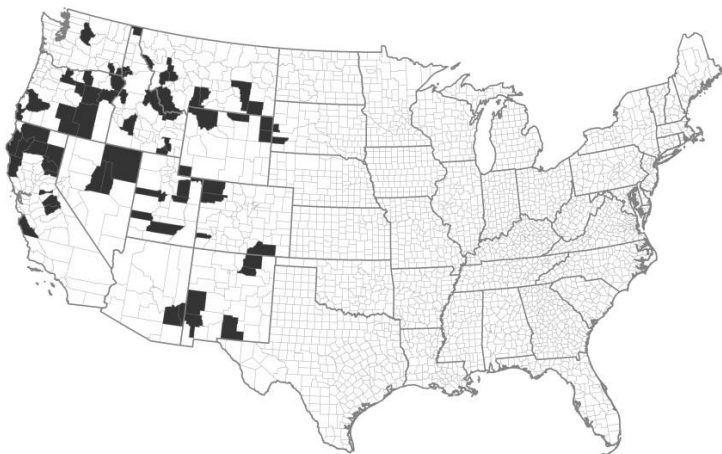
Communities can plan and take coordinated action, in combination with individual actions by property owners. These counties could also adjust building and construction codes in all areas.

Human-Caused Ignitions

Human caused ignitions are a problem in these counties. Reduce accidental human-caused ignitions through the enforcement of burning bans or greater education of the danger of attended fires. Reduce human-caused incendiary ignitions by focusing on enforcement programs.

Effective and Efficient Wildfire Response

Prepare for large, long duration wildfires.



National Priorities

Vegetation and Fuels	High
Homes, Communities and Values at Risk	High
Human-Caused Ignitions	Low

Effective and Efficient Response:
There is high risk of large wildfires, more potential for resource benefits.

2J County Names

Arizona

Graham
Greenlee

California

Amador
Humboldt
Lassen
Mariposa
Mendocino
Monterey
Plumas
Shasta
Sierra
Siskiyou
Trinity
Tuolumne

Colorado

Dolores
Las Animas
Moffat
Rio Blanco

Idaho

Adams
Bannock
Boundary
Clark
Elmore
Lemhi
Lewis
Nez Perce
Oneida

Montana

Beaverhead
Granite
Mineral
Park
Powder River
Powell
Rosebud
Sweet Grass

Nevada

Elko
Eureka
Lander

New Mexico

Catron
Colfax
Grant
Mora
Otero

Oregon

Baker
Curry
Douglas
Grant
Harney
Lake
Morrow
Wallowa
Wasco
Wheeler

South Dakota

Custer
Lawrence

Utah

Beaver
Carbon
Daggett
Duchesne
Garfield
Juab

Washington

Asotin
Chelan
Columbia

Wyoming

Crook
Park
Sheridan
Uinta
Weston