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Community Cluster.....6

Landscape Class.....C

Description

These areas occur in the southwestern portion of the United States (Arizona, southern California) that has a mix of demographic advantage and stress, which brings contrast to the community. Many homes are consolidated into a small area with history of fire. The natural landscape is typically non-forested and occurs within Fire Regime Group V. There is less federal ownership in these areas than in other areas of the southwest.

Challenges and Opportunities

Vegetation and Fuels

Local discretion should be used to determine the importance of fuel treatment, which treatment is applicable and what is affordable based on the use of local resources.

Homes, Communities and Values at Risk

Communities can plan and take coordinated action, in combination with individual actions by property owners. This can include the creation of buffers and strategic fuel breaks.

Human-Caused Ignitions

Reduce human-caused incendiary ignitions by focusing on enforcement programs.

Effective and Efficient Wildfire Response

Prepare for large, long duration wildfires.

Example of a Typical County

Imperial County, California: Mostly desert, Imperial County includes irrigated lands south of the Salton Sea.



National Priorities

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

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

6C County Names

Arizona

Apache

La Paz

Navajo

Yuma

California

Imperial

Kern

Colorado

Alamosa

Mississippi

Tunica

New Mexico

Dona Ana