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Community Cluster.....7

Landscape Class.....G

Description

This group occurs mostly in western counties, with many located in Colorado and Utah. This area has a large proportion of federal ownership and is characterized as rural with a moderate population density. There are fewer homes exposed but a larger Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) area factor.

Example of a Typical County

Mesa County, Colorado: This west Colorado county includes the town of Grand Junction. Three quarters of the land area is federal, and this includes the Grand Mesa and Uncompahgre National Forests.

Challenges and Opportunities

Vegetation and Fuels

These counties may have contiguous areas that could benefit from the use of landscape-scale prescribed fire. Strategic fuel breaks may be warranted. There may be an active forest products industry nearby, which could support fuel treatments.

Homes, Communities and Values at Risk

Individual homeowners can be proactive on home defensive actions.

Human-Caused Ignitions

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

Effective and Efficient Response: Counties in this combo have high risk to large wildfires, but some have less potential than others for resource benefits.

7G County Names

Colorado

Chaffee
Delta
Gilpin
Gunnison
Mesa
Montezuma
Montrose
Ouray

Florida

Okaloosa

Georgia

Bryan
Lumpkin

Idaho

Bonneville
Madison
Teton

Montana

Gallatin
Jefferson
Madison

North Carolina

Hoke

Utah

Cache
Sanpete