

# 8G

Community Cluster.....8

Landscape Class.....G

## Description

These areas occur in the interior federal forests of the eastern United States, mostly within the Appalachian Mountains of North Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia, with some counties in Arkansas and Texas. These counties have higher Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) areas and have higher ignitions.

## Challenges and Opportunities

### Vegetation and Fuels

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

Human caused ignitions are a problem in these counties. Reduce accidental and human-caused ignitions through enforcement or outreach.

### Effective and Efficient Wildfire Response

Prepare for large, long duration wildfires.

## Example of a Typical County

*Sevier County, Tennessee:* This county includes the primary entrance to Great Smoky Mountains National Park and includes Gatlinburg and Pigeon Forge



## National Priorities

Vegetation and Fuels	Moderate
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 and most counties have less potential for resource benefits than others.

## 8G County Names

### **Arkansas**

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Garland

### **Georgia**

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Fannin

Rabun

Union

White

### **North Carolina**

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Cherokee

Clay

Haywood

Jackson

Macon

Onslow

Transylvania

### **Tennessee**

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Blount

Sevier

### **Texas**

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Angelina

### **Virginia**

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Augusta

Smyth