

8K

Community Cluster.....8

Landscape Class.....K

Description

These counties occur mostly in the southeastern United States, along the Appalachian Mountains and the Gulf Coast, with some scattered counties in Florida, South Carolina, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Kentucky. These areas are characterized by a higher Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) area and large number of ignitions.

Example of a Typical County

Pike County, Kentucky: Pike County lies in easternmost Kentucky. It has many small private woodland parcels and many human ignitions.



Challenges and Opportunities

Vegetation and Fuels

These counties have a history of using prescribed fire and could expand or maintain use of this fuel management option. There may be an active forest products industry nearby, which could support fuel treatments. Treatments may be economical as a precursor to prescribed fire. The focus would be on treating the periphery of the area to act as a buffer.

Homes, Communities and Values at Risk

Individual homeowners can be proactive on home defensive actions. These counties could adjust building and construction codes in municipal areas.

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. Protect structures and target prevention of ignitions.

National Priorities

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

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

8K County Names

Alabama

DeKalb

Mobile

Arkansas

Saline

Florida

Gilchrist

Marion

Georgia

Dade

Towns

Kentucky

Floyd

Johnson

Pike

Mississippi

Alcorn

George

Jackson

Missouri

St. Francois

North Carolina

Burke

Polk

Surry

Ohio

Gallia

Lawrence

Scioto

Oklahoma

Rogers

South Carolina

Horry

Tennessee

Carter

Cocke

Marion

McMinn

Unicoi

Texas

Johnson

Virginia

Amherst

Caroline

Gloucester

Isle of Wight

Page

Patrick

Rockingham

Warren

Washington

West Virginia

Kanawha