



Living in the Wildland Urban Interface and Ember Zone

Ready, Set, Go!

begins with a house that firefighters can defend

Defensible Space Works

If you live next to a natural area, the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI), you should provide firefighters with the **defensible space** they need to **protect your home**. Create a **buffer zone** by removing weeds, brush and other vegetation. This helps keep the fire away from your home and reduces the risk from flying embers. Fire preparedness education programs provide valuable guidance on property enhancements.

Homes on the Wildland Boundary are at Risk too

A home within one mile of a natural areas is in the **ember zone**. Wind-driven embers can attack your home. You and your home must be prepared well before a fire occurs. Ember fires can destroy homes or neighborhoods far from the actual front of the wildland fire. Prepare your home with the following tips.

Consider This

Unmanaged vegetation between and around homes increases the risk of wildland fire spreading throughout the community, endangering lives and property. Pre-fire planning, fuels management, and sufficient fuel breaks allow firefighters the space they need to keep fire from entering the community during a wildland fire event.

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