### Fire Planning Task Force Updates

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### Fire Planning Task Force - Duties

1. Identify and map high-risk areas within the state

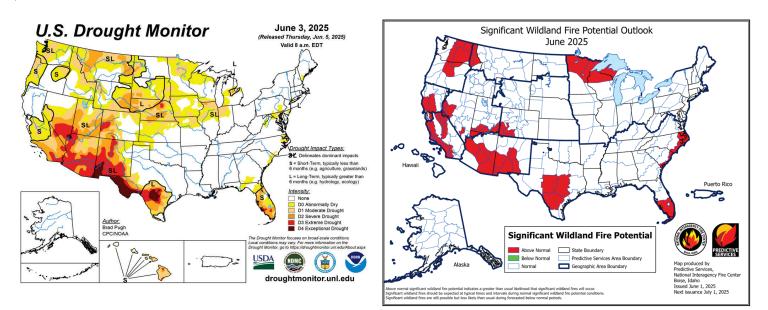
2. Develop standards for building codes, defensible space requirements and ordinances that will reduce the threat of wildfire

- 3. Assist communities with adopting and implementing building codes and ordinances
- 4. Develop wildfire prepared standards for certification that are consistent with nationally recognized standard-setting organization
- 5. Develop by June 30 by each year guidelines and requirements for eligibility grants

6. Report progress and any recommendations for legislation to the governor and the legislature by December 15 of each year

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## Why This, Why Now?



## Fire Planning Task Force – Sub-groups

Mapping:

- High-risk and high-priority mitigation areas

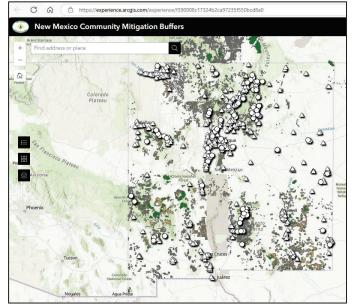
Standards:

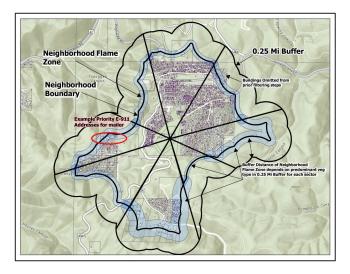
- Wildfire Prepared Homes standards
- Wildfire Prepared Neighborhood standards
- Eligibility requirements for grants from the Wildfire Prepared Fund

Communications:

- Taking action to protect your home and maintain insurance coverage

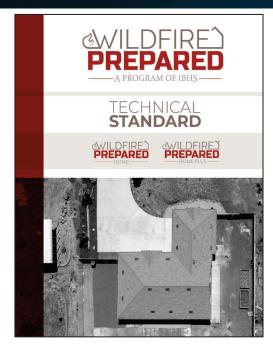
# Fire Planning Task Force – Mitigation Mapping

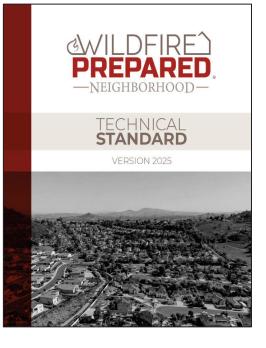




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## Fire Planning Task Force – IBHS Wildfire Prepared





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