



Inform your policy holders how they can help mitigate wildfires

- **Understand your risk assessment:** Evaluate the risk of wildfires in your area
- **Create defensible space around your home:** Keep your lawn and outdoor space manicured and maintained. Consider using fire-resistant plants around your property. Have adequate water spickets and/or storage available and accessible. Water frequently to keep vegetation and grass hydrated.
- **Remove combustible materials:** remove flammable debris, branches, leaves, firewood, and lawn furniture.
- **Use fire resistant building materials:** Construct roof and exterior structures with non combustible materials where possible.
- **Attend local fire meetings and get to know the process:** learn about their challenges and get tips and ideas to help mitigate your property as it pertains to your location.
- **Secure important items:** Store valuable documents like passports and jewelry in a fireproof safe and have them at the ready in case evacuation is necessary.
- **Stay informed:** Monitor news agencies and local authorities for updates.
- **Seal your home:** Close all doors and windows to minimize smoke infiltration.
- **Be prepared to evacuate:** Keep a full tank of gas, 'go bags,' and an action plan in place.
- **Know Your evacuation route:** Plan your destination and be aware of potential traffic issues.
- **Do not fight fires:** Avoid attempting to extinguish fires or wet your home; evacuation is safer.

Resources: National Interagency Fire Center [Wildfire Mitigation | National Interagency Fire Center](#)