



Washington state wildfire mitigation and resiliency work group questionnaire #6
(open July 29 - August 1, 2025)

You are receiving this survey link as a member of the Washington state wildfire mitigation and resiliency working group. We invite you to share your input by end of day Friday, August 1. Your responses will support next steps and agenda items for future meetings.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact David Forte at david.forte@oic.wa.gov or 360-725-7268.

See also: [Working group website](#)

Further context:

We appreciate your willingness to participate with this important work! Your diverse perspectives will be instrumental in achieving a successful outcome. While we still have some members yet to be identified, we want to make sure those that are selected receive an update.

As you are aware, the Washington State Legislature has passed legislation (SHB 1539) directing the Commissioner of Public Lands and the Insurance Commissioner to co-chair a working group to study and make recommendations by December 1, 2025 on the following:

- the development and alignment of property mitigation standards for wildfires with nationally recognized, science-based standards;**
- enhancing wildfire mitigation at the community level;**
- sharing data between appropriate state agencies and the insurance industry regarding successful implementation of wildfire mitigation efforts;**
- improving transparency for consumers regarding wildfire hazard and risk; and**
- establishing a grant program for residential homes for purposes such as retrofitting and evaluations, including recommendations for decreasing insurance nonrenewals.**



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* 1. Please share your name and organization.

Name

Representing

Email Address

2. Please leave any **comments** regarding the presentation by **Steve Crowder**, Mayor, Town of Paradise, California.

3. Please submit any **questions** you may have regarding the presentation by **Steve Crowder**, Mayor, Town of Paradise, California.

4. Please leave any **comments** regarding the presentation by **Chief Frank Bigelow**, Deputy Director, Community Wildfire & Preparedness & Mitigation, CAL FIRE.

5. Please submit any **questions** you may have regarding the presentation by **Chief Frank Bigelow**, Deputy Director, Community Wildfire & Preparedness & Mitigation, CAL FIRE.

6. Please leave any **comments** regarding the presentation by **Kimiko Barrett**, Sr. Wildfire Research & Policy, Headwaters Economics.

7. Please submit any **questions** you may have regarding the presentation by **Kimiko Barrett**, Sr. Wildfire Research & Policy, Headwaters Economics.

8. Please leave any **comments** regarding the presentation by **Brian Powell**, Catastrophe Risk Resilience Specialist, Center for Insurance Policy and Research.

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10. In preparation for our next discussion (August 5), **do you have enough information to begin discussing the types of recommendations mentioned in the Legislation?**

If not, which component do you want to hear more about?

1. Coordination and alignment of state and Department of Natural Resources' wildfire property mitigation standards with nationally recognized, science-based wildfire mitigation standards;
2. Enhancement of wildfire mitigation at the community level;
3. Data sharing between state agencies and the insurance industry to address wildfire mitigation gaps and best practices;
4. Improvements to consumer transparency related to wildfire hazard and risk; and
5. Establishment of a grant program to help residential properties resist wildfire loss.

11. Is there **anything else** you would like to share?