



# CAL FIRE - Office of the State Marshal

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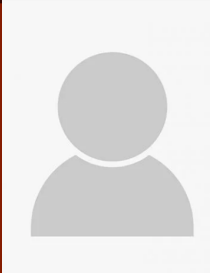
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## **CAL FIRE – OSFM Leadership**





# COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS & MITIGATION

CALENDAR YEAR 2024

1,310 ASSESMENTS CONDUCTED  
AFTER QUALIFIED ENTITY  
TRAINING COMPLETED

220 QUALIFIED ENTITY TRAINING  
PARTICIPANTS ATTENDED

10 QUALIFIED ENTITY  
TRAINING CLASSES  
TAUGHT

10 DEFENSIBLE SPACE  
ASSESSOR TRAINING  
CLASSES TAUGHT

998 FIREWISE COMMUNITIES  
213 NEW IN 2024

317 NEW FIREWISE  
COMMUNITIES

86,489 BURN PERMITS  
REQUESTED

79,842 BURN PERMITS  
ISSUED

2,064 TOTAL CULTURAL  
BURN PERMITS  
LE-82A 1890  
LE-5 120  
LE-7/8 54

76,719 APPROVED  
RESIDENTIAL  
BURN PERMITS

25 SAFETY ELEMENTS

14 HOMES HARDENED FROM  
HOME HARDENING PROGRAM

FISCAL YEAR 2024

299,273 DEFENSIBLE SPACE  
INSPECTIONS

138,684 FUEL REDUCTION  
PROJECT ACRES

902 FUEL REDUCTION  
PROJECTS

WILDFIRE PREVENTION GRANTS

94  
GRANTS  
AWARDED

\$90.8  
MILLION



# Community Wildfire Preparedness and Mitigation



The graphic features a collage of images at the top showing firefighters, a police officer, and a fire truck. Below this, the text 'OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL' is displayed. The main title 'COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION PROGRAM' is in large white letters on a dark background. Below the title, a red banner reads 'ENHANCING THE COORDINATION OF EDUCATION AND OUTREACH FROM CAL FIRE - OSFM TO THE PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDERS'. At the bottom, five yellow chain links are shown, each with a label: 'ENGINEERING', 'ECONOMIC INCENTIVE', 'ENFORCEMENT', 'EMERGENCY RESPONSE', and 'EDUCATION'. The bottom of the graphic has a red banner with the text 'RESOURCES FROM CAL FIRE - OSFM AVAILABLE AT [OSFM.FIRE.CA.GOV](https://osfm.fire.ca.gov)'.

OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL

## COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION PROGRAM

ENHANCING THE COORDINATION OF EDUCATION AND OUTREACH FROM CAL FIRE - OSFM TO THE PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDERS

ENGINEERING ECONOMIC INCENTIVE ENFORCEMENT EMERGENCY RESPONSE EDUCATION

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### Community Risk Reduction Program:

- Did you know that CAL FIRE - Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM) now has a Community Risk Reduction Program?
- The Community Risk Reduction Program's main mission is to work with all OSFM divisions to enhance the coordination of education and outreach from CAL FIRE - OSFM to the Public and Stakeholders.





**Homes that ignite by wildfire have a 90+%  
chance of completely burning down**

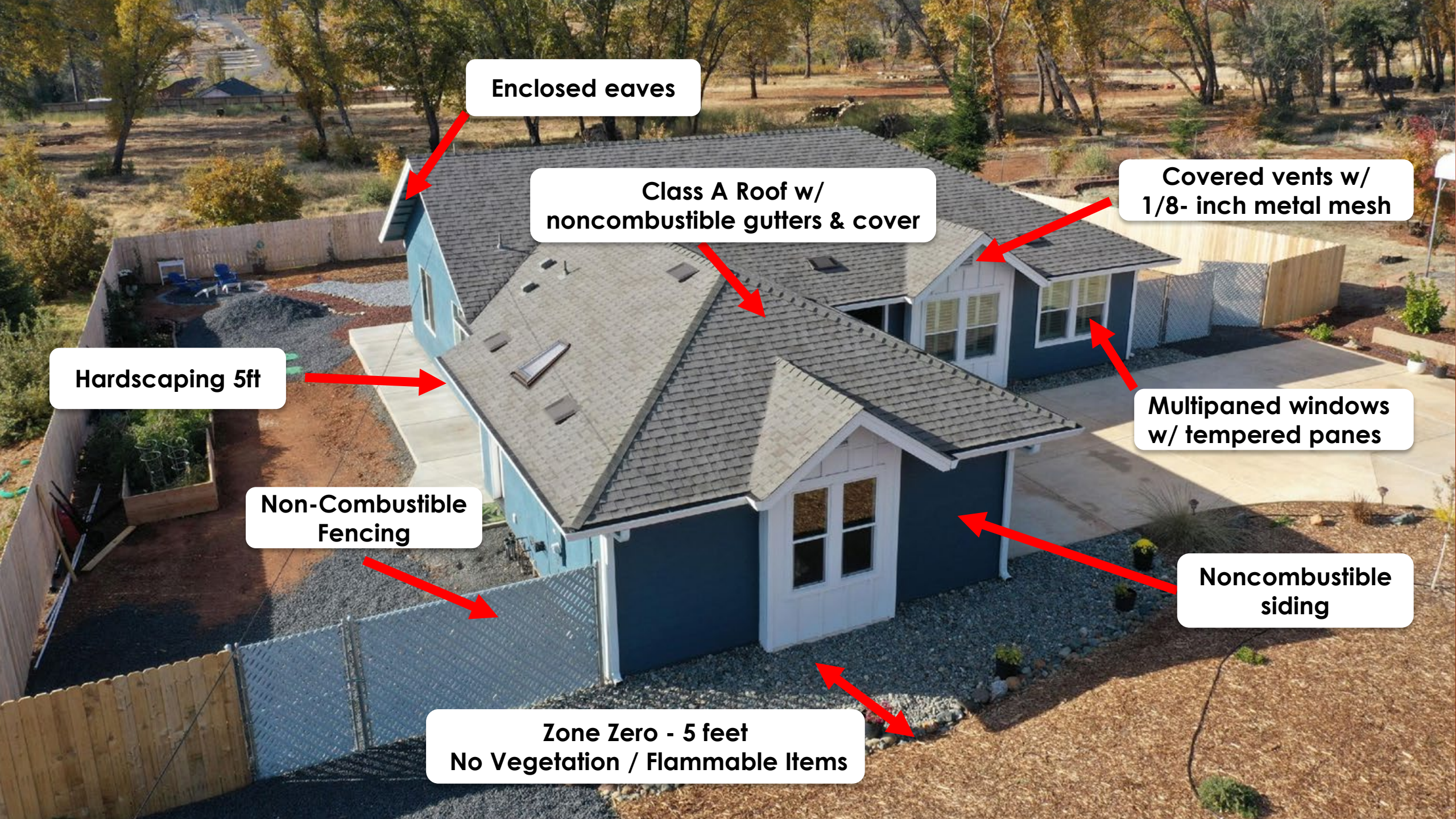
Source: CAL FIRE DINS Data





# PROTECT YOUR HOME WITH A 5 FOOT ZONE **CREATE DEFENSIBLE SPACE**





**Enclosed eaves**

**Class A Roof w/  
noncombustible gutters & cover**

**Covered vents w/  
1/8- inch metal mesh**

**Hardscaping 5ft**

**Multipaned windows  
w/ tempered panes**

**Non-Combustible  
Fencing**

**Noncombustible  
siding**

**Zone Zero - 5 feet  
No Vegetation / Flammable Items**



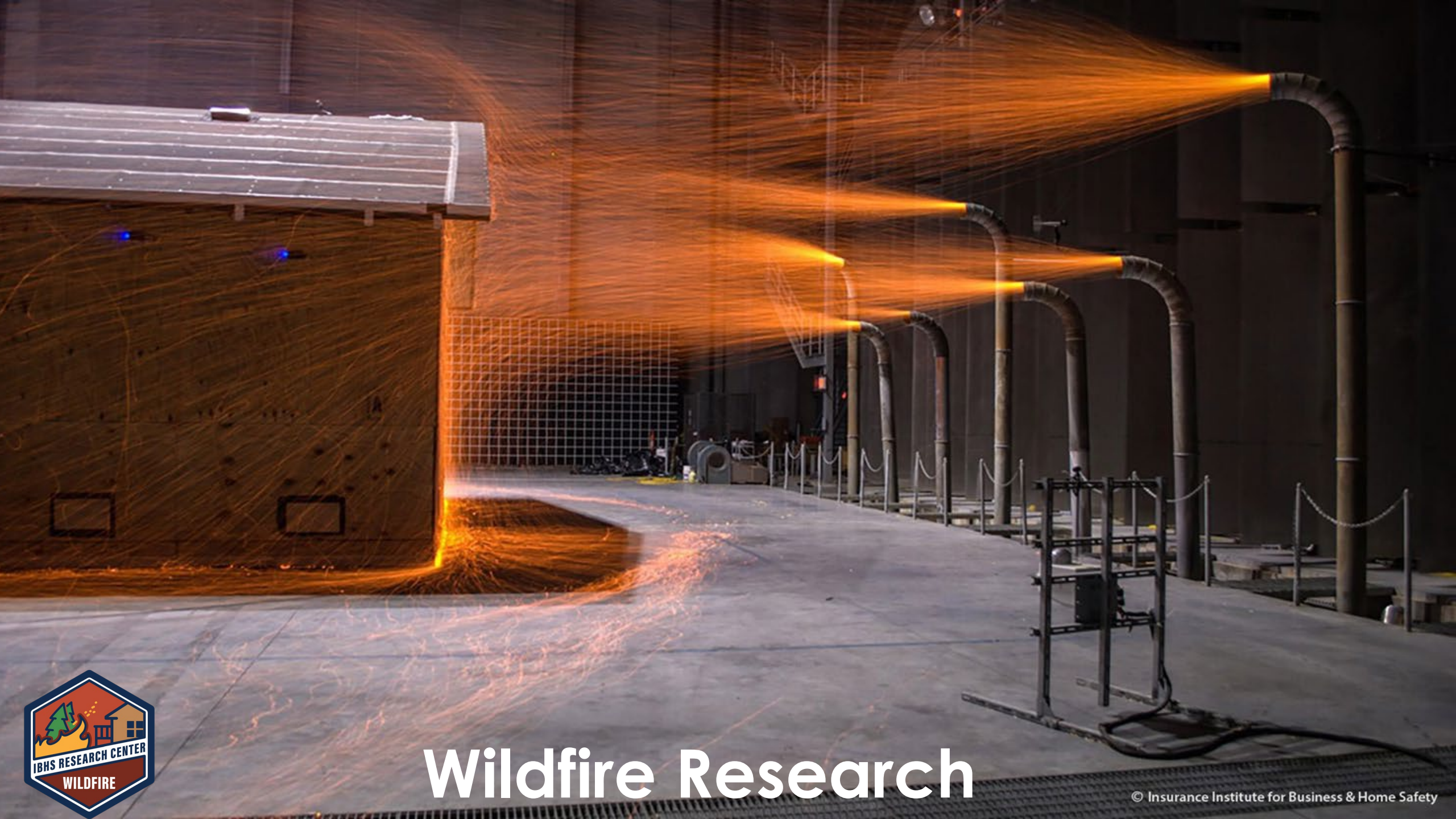
# Home Hardening Efforts

**WUI Building Codes**

**Real Estate Disclosures**

**Low-Cost Retrofit List**

**Home Hardening Financial  
Assistance Program**



# Wildfire Research



**Structure Separation**



## Next Steps

- Updated Fire Hazard Maps
- Zone 0 Defensible Space
- Structure Susceptibility Modeling
- Insurance Alignments
- Land Use Planning
- Training
- Research



Resources can be found at [osfm.fire.ca.gov](https://osfm.fire.ca.gov).

