

## ***You can ...***

**Use fire-resistant building materials.** Install metal, tile or concrete roofing material when building or remodeling. Use fire-resistant siding such as brick, metal, concrete or stucco. Cover all vents with 1/8" mesh to block embers from entering the structure.

**Plan to check the survivable space around your home and outbuildings.** Clear flammable vegetation and replace with fire-resistant plants. Move wood piles and lumber away from structures. Store gasoline, propane, fertilizer and other flammables away from the home, preferably in a metal shed.

**Check the electrical wiring.** Place electrical wires underground to protect against damage by wildfire, animals and farm equipment. Make sure all wiring is grounded. Avoid overloading circuits.

**Check around fueling.** Clear fueling areas of dry vegetation. Ground all fueling nozzles to avoid sparking a fire. Have a fire extinguisher available.

**Check the moisture content of the hay.** Green hay fires are a common occurrence. Check stacks regularly, but don't open a "hot stack" without adequate fire equipment on-site. Opening a stack will increase fire intensity.

**Check the exhaust systems.** Place spark arrestors on all chimneys, stovepipes, tractors and other equipment. Hot carbon particles from exhaust pipes can start a fire.

**Check welding areas.** Weld only in areas free of flammable vegetation and fuel.

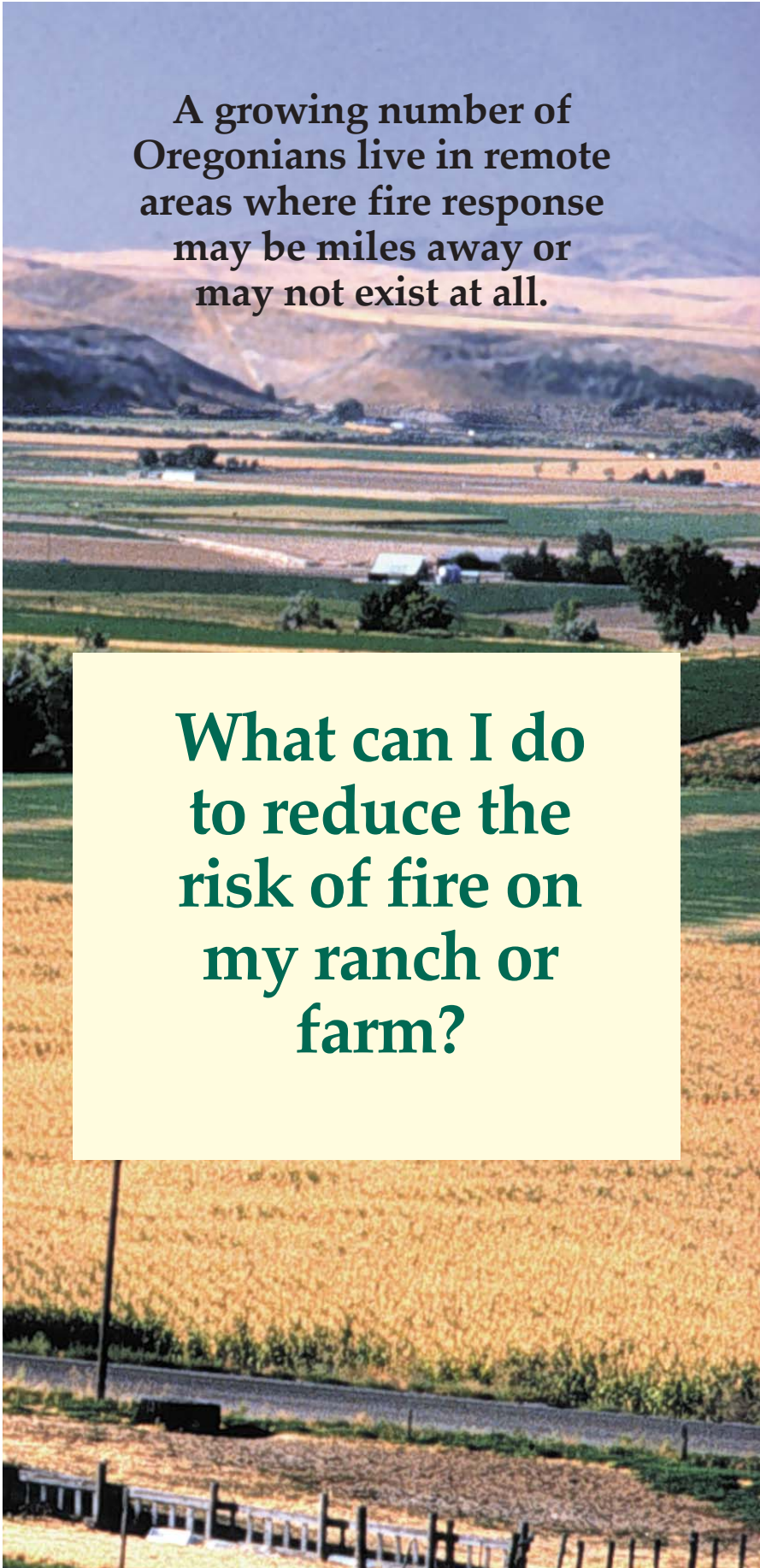
**Check your firefighting equipment and water supply.** You are the first line of defense in the event of a wildfire. Know what you can do to stop the fire from spreading to other structures or grasslands.

Is your home subject to the Oregon Forestland-Urban Interface Fire Protection Act (SB360)?

To find out more visit: <http://egov.oregon.gov/ODF/Fire/SB360/SB360.shtml>

A message from the Oregon Department of Forestry, the Oregon Rangeland Association and the Office of State Fire Marshal.





**A growing number of Oregonians live in remote areas where fire response may be miles away or may not exist at all.**

**What can I do to reduce the risk of fire on my ranch or farm?**