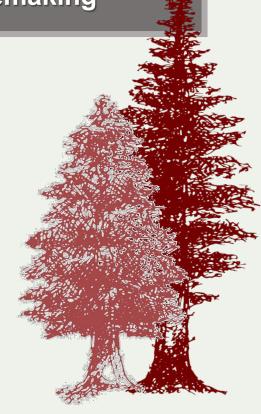


Informational Session on the Wildland Urban Interface & Statewide Fire Risk Mapping Rulemaking

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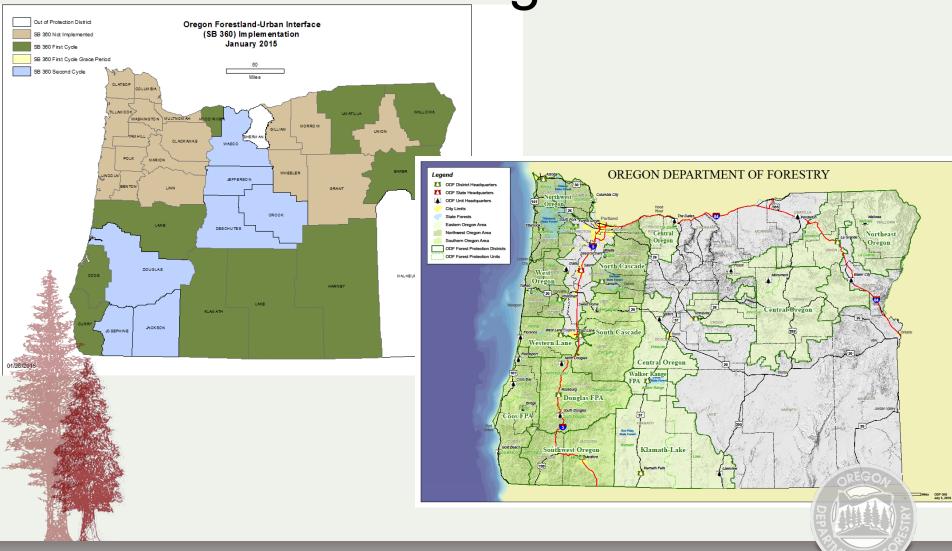
Topics on the agenda

- History of Defensible Space in Oregon
- What changes with SB 762
- Introduction of the Oregon Explorer
- Role of the Rules Advisory Committees (RAC)
- Overall timeline
- Opportunities for public input



- Oregon Forestland-Urban Interface Fire Protection
 Act of 1997 was the first defensible space in Oregon
- At that time, the "forestland-urban interface" (WUI) was defined as properties within an ODF forest protection district that lie within a county where a specific concentration of homes exist (10 acres or less, or 4 homes per legal 40 acres).





- County Responsibilities
 - Counties were required to initiate a local land classification committee to determine the fire risk for properties.



The classification committee identifies
 properties as in or out of the WUI and classifies
 properties within the WUI as low, moderate,
 high, and extreme fire risk.



- ODF's responsibilities
 - The department was responsible for administrative responsibilities beyond identification and classification.



 Once the county classification committees identify and classify properties, the department was required by law to notify property owners by mail every five years of their obligations under the Act.

- Property Owner's responsibilities
 - Property owners were then required to evaluate their property, mitigate risks, and self-certify that their property met standards outlined in the law.

 Property owners had to self-certify every five years or when ownership changed.





What changes with SB 762

Statewide Fire Risk Mapping

| Requirement | SB 360 | SB 762 | | |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| Mapping | Limited to within ODF protection districts | Statewide | | |
| Display | Paper maps | Oregon Explorer Wildfire Risk Portal | | |
| Wildfire risk classes | 3 to 5 classes | 5 classes | | |
| Defensible Space Administration | Oregon Department of Forestry | Oregon Office of the State Fire Marshal | | |





What changes with SB 762

Statewide Fire Risk Mapping

- Rules to include:
 - Opportunities to provide public input
 - Providing notice and appeal process information to property owners in extreme or high risk



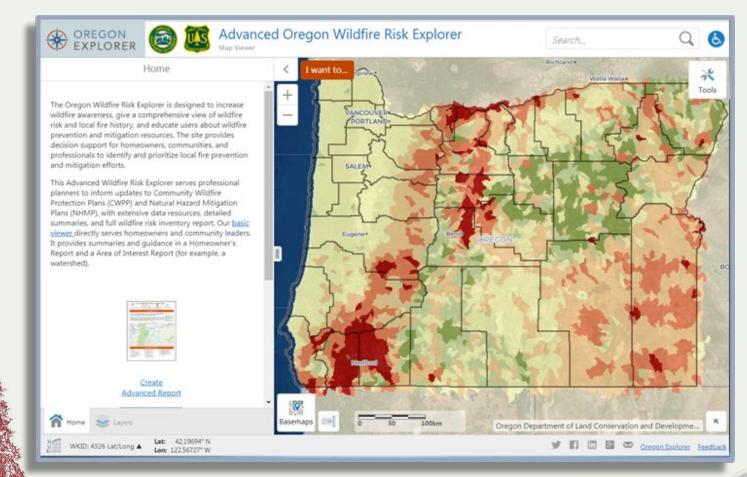


What changes with SB 762

- Map must display the boundaries of the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI)
 - The Board of Forestry shall establish a definition of WUI.
 - Must consider national best practices
 - Must establish criteria to identify and classify the WUI.







- Formulated from the Quantitative Wildfire Risk Assessment
- Multi-agency assessment, funded and managed by USFS
- ODF convened Statewide Steering Committee for Oregon Wildfire Risk Explorer































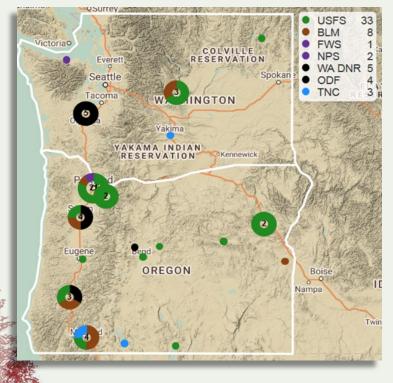








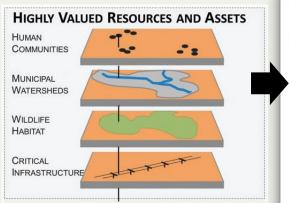




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- Delivers the best available wildfire risk information to agency and entity partners, homeowners, communities, and local managers and planners
- Supports landscape level wildfire risk planning and decision support, all lands, shared stewardship

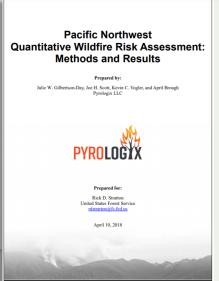


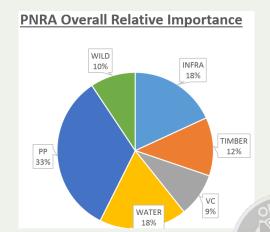


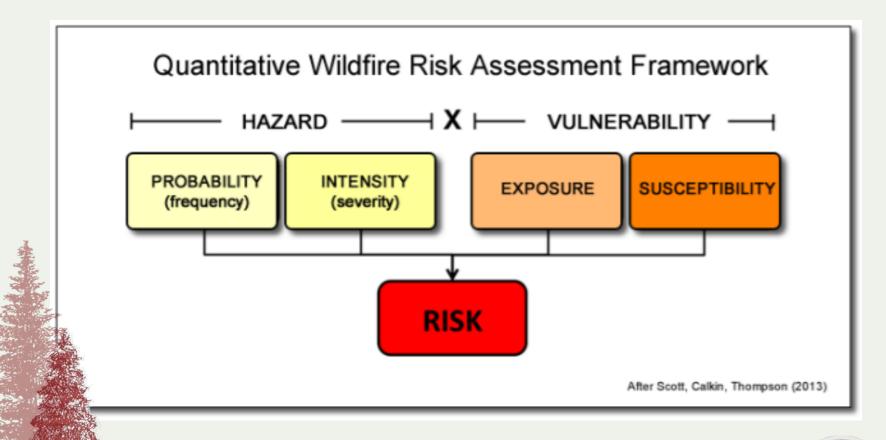
| Sub-HVRA | FIL1 | FIL2 | FIL3 | FIL4 | FIL5 | FIL6 | Share of RI1 | Acres |
|---------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------------|---------|
| Trans-Line- High voltage | 10 | 0 | 0 | -10 | -50 | -70 | 40.86% | 905,585 |
| Trans-Line- Low voltage | -10 | -20 | -50 | -70 | -80 | -90 | 16.79% | 743,972 |
| Railroads | -10 | -20 | -30 | -40 | -50 | -50 | 16.57% | 612,073 |
| Interstates | 0 | -5 | -10 | -15 | -20 | -30 | 4.74% | 175,191 |
| State Highways | 0 | -5 | -10 | -15 | -20 | -30 | 12.98% | 958,745 |
| Communication Sites/Cell Towers | -10 | -30 | -60 | -80 | -100 | -100 | 3.65% | 80,924 |
| Seed Orchards | -50 | -90 | -100 | -100 | -100 | -100 | 0.02% | 2,704 |
| Sawmills | -10 | -20 | -30 | -40 | -60 | -80 | 0.10% | 1,448 |
| Ski Areas | 0 | -10 | -20 | -40 | -60 | -80 | 0.44% | 16,175 |
| Recreation High Developed | -10 | -30 | -70 | -90 | -100 | -100 | 1.93% | 26,793 |
| Recreation Low Developed | -10 | -30 | -70 | -90 | -100 | -100 | 1.17% | 129,886 |
| Historic Structures | -30 | -50 | -70 | -100 | -100 | -100 | 0.73% | 8,140 |

A Wildfire Risk Assessment Framework for Land and Resource Management

Pacific Nor Quantitative Wildfire F Methods and Prepared by Julie W. Gilbertson-Day, Jee H. Scott, K. Pyrologis, L. Julie W. Gilbertson-Day, Jee H. Scott, K. Julie W. Gilbertson-Day,









- WUI Data Sources
 - USFS University of Wisconsin SILVIS
 WUI dataset as a primary source for WUI
 interface and intermix areas

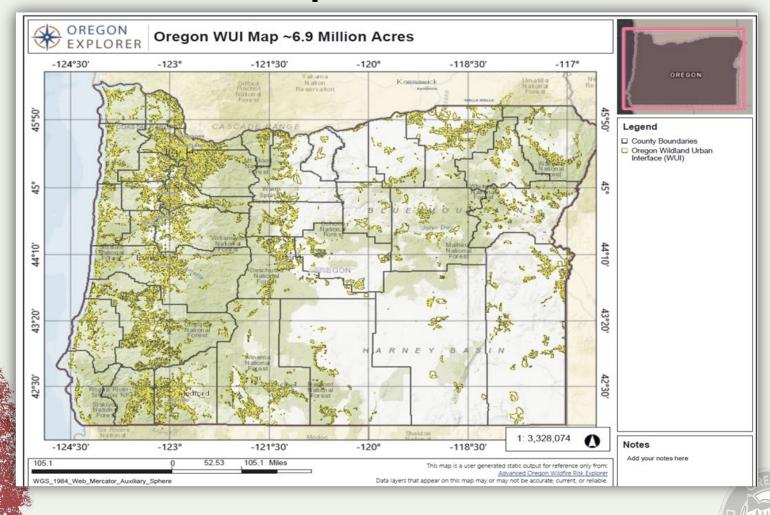


 Listed communities at risk in the Federal Registry



- WUI Data Sources cont.
 - City Limits, census block data, and Structural Fire District areas
 - Cross-checked data with the Department of Land Conservation & Development (DLCD)
 Oregon 2017 Land Use Zoning.
 - Unverified excess community data was deleted.

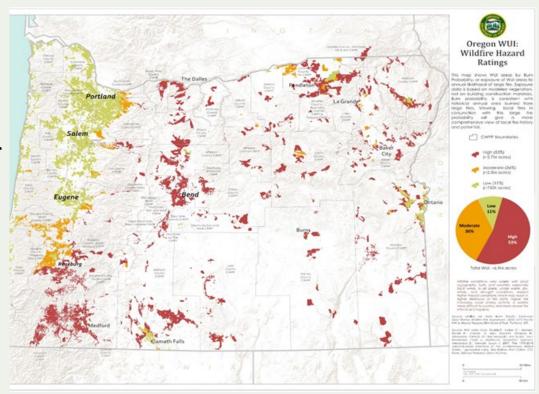




Risk Assignment

 Data was classified per symbology themes.

Class breaks of low, moderate, and high.





Role of the Rules Advisory Committees (RAC)

- Assist the department to carry out the requirements of SB 762
 - Definition of Wildland-Urban Interface
 - Criteria for development of a statewide wildfire risk map.
- Ensure an inclusive process, considering different viewpoints and perspectives
- Transition the technical aspects of the Oregon Explorer Wildfire Risk Portal into administrative rule.

Overall timeline

- Request permission to promulgate rules related to SB726 at July 21, 2021 Board of Forestry meeting.
 - WUI definition established by rule within 100 days of Governor's signature of SB 762.
 - WUI identification and criteria June 2022.
 - Statewide Fire Risk Map June 2022



Opportunities for public input

- Rule Advisory Committee meetings will have public comment opportunities
- An email box will be established to receive public comment on all rulemaking pertaining to SB 762.
- Board of Forestry meetings
- Public hearings prior to rules enacted



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