



WILDLAND FIRE LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

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WILDLAND FIRE LEADERSHIP COUNCIL RELEASES LEADERS' INTENT FOR CROSS-AGENCY RESOURCE SHARING FOR PRESCRIBED FIRE

November 19, 2024 – As part of its ongoing attention to the drivers and critical conditions that are negatively impacting our nations' capacity and ability to fully address wildland fire challenges, the Wildland Fire Leadership Council (WFLC) has acknowledged the need for a substantial increase in the proactive, appropriate use of fire to assist in creating landscape and community resiliency.

The WFLC shared its Leaders' Intent that supports the shared goal of its principal agencies and organizations to scale up size and pace and enable cross-boundary support for the utilization of prescribed fire through improved and increased resource sharing.

The Leaders' Intent signals its membership agencies and organizations to identify and facilitate the changes necessary to enable shared resource capacity to substantially increase the appropriate use of both prescribed and managed fire.

To address workforce limitations related to resource sharing for prescribed fire implementation, WFLC will develop an analysis and framework to allow principal agencies to create interagency support for prescribed fire. This analysis will clearly map the barriers to resources sharing, identify interagency opportunities to address these barriers, and identify clear pathways to increasing the proactive, appropriate use of fire.

The Wildland Fire Leadership Council is an intergovernmental committee of Federal, State/territory, Tribal, county, and municipal government officials convened by the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture dedicated to promoting consistent wildland fire policies, goals, and management activities. The WFLC provides advice to help ensure policy coordination, accountability, and effective implementation of [federal wildland fire management policy](#) and related long-term strategies through a collaborative environment to continue to support the evolution of the land and wildland fire management system, and to help ensure effective and efficient wildfire management, promote fire-adapted communities, protect public health, and create resilient landscapes to achieve long-range benefits for society and nature.

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