

ED-21-W-LT: Increase communication, coordination, and collaboration between wildland-urban interface property owners, city planners, fire prevention crews, and city officials to address risks, existing mitigation measures, and federal assistance programs.

Ideas for implementation:

- Encourage all residences to practice fire plans and evacuation routes.
- Encourage a standard for the State Fire Marshall to evaluate fire plans and emergency plans.
- Require fire department notification of new business applications to ensure that appropriate fire plans have been developed.
- Have the City Planners and Planning Commission work closely with those who choose to build in the wildland-urban interface area to identify and mitigate conditions that aggravate fire hazards, including:
 - Limited access for emergency equipment due to width and grade of roadways.
 - Poor turn-around for emergency equipment.
 - Inadequate water supplies.
 - Spacing, consistency, and species of vegetation around structures.
 - Inadequate fuel breaks, or lack of defensible space.
 - Highly flammable construction materials.
 - Building lots and subdivisions that are not in compliance with state and local land use and fire protection regulations.
 - Inadequate entry/escape routes.
- Encourage all new homes and major remodels located in the interface to have fire-resistant roofs and residential sprinkler systems.

Coordinating Organization: Edmonds Fire Department
Estimated Price: To be determined
Funding Source: General Fund and Grants as available
Timeline: Ongoing
Plan Goals Addressed: Protect Life & Property; Increase Public Awareness; Encourage Partnerships; Provide for Emergency & Critical Services; Facilitate Continuity & Recovery
Benefit-to Cost Review: 4

Approx Cost	+	Effectiveness	=	Priority
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¹ Washington Office of Financial Management, Forecasting Division.