

New Wildfire Futures

How to deliver on a 50-year vision moving from crisis to resilience

We have an opportunity to shift the conversation and align action to create a different wildfire future, one in which communities are protected, destructive fire is diminished, and we bring our ecosystems back into balance with beneficial fire. We can choose that future.

Getting there is a 50-year mission. But the next ten years will be the most critical. The plan has three strategies: prepare and protect communities; smarter wildfire suppression; and focused resource restoration. Here's what to prioritize in the near term:

COMMUNITY MITIGATION

Identify ember and fire pathway risks and create plans for critical programs including cost estimates. Adopt WUI building codes. Engage fire service and residents in evacuation planning, home hardening, defensible space, and smoke preparedness. Have a wildfire recovery plan.

SMARTER SUPPRESSION

Create evacuation and wildfire pre-plans. Identify local fire ecology regimes and determine beneficial fire needs. Incorporate this knowledge in both prescribed fire and emergency wildfire planning. Explore the concept of Fire Intensity Management as a suppression strategy.

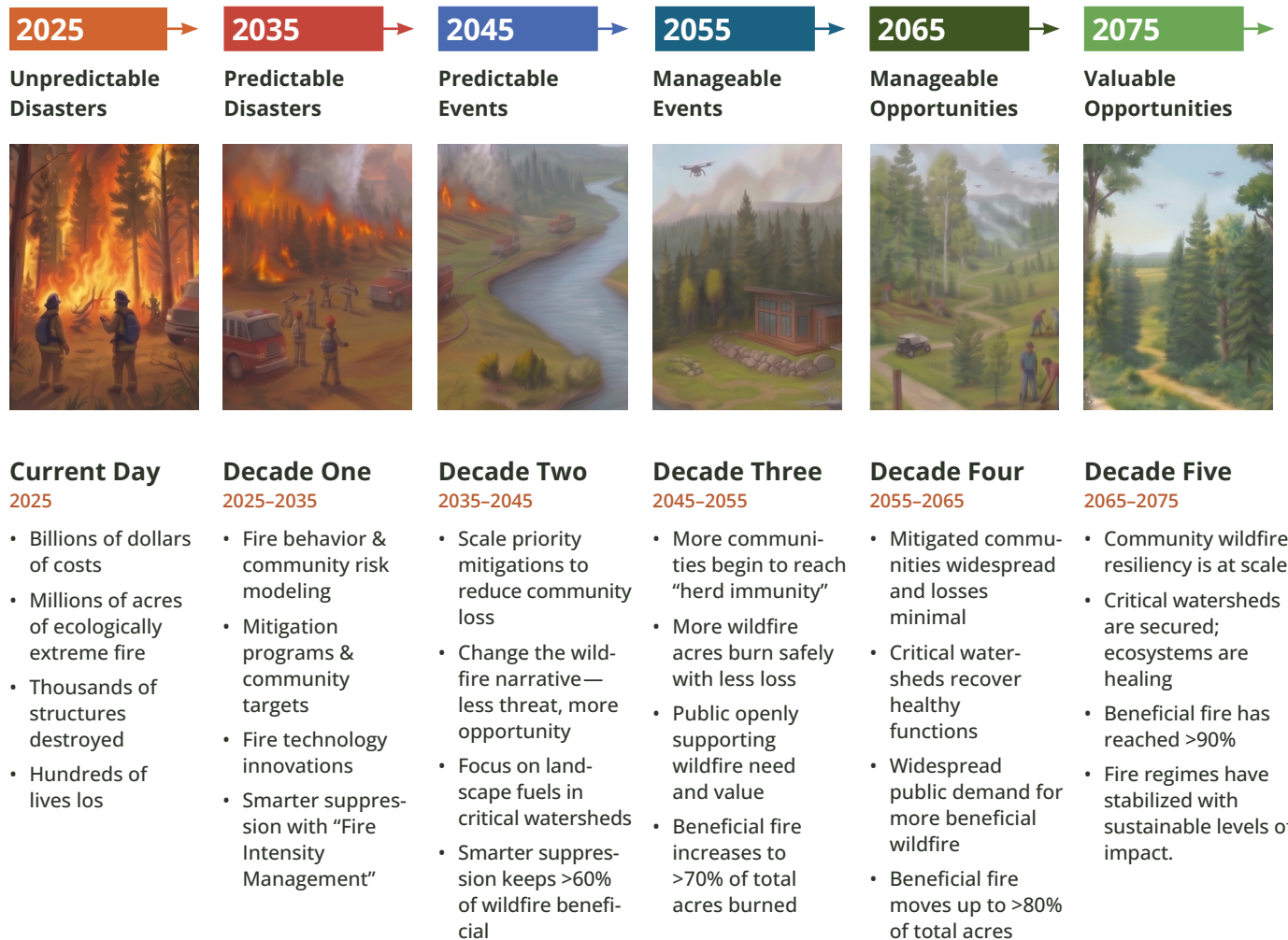
FOCUSED RESTORATION

Identify critical watersheds, ecological vegetation needs, water infrastructure vulnerability and debris flow risks, and create landscape restoration plans for post-fire. Maintain re-growth and prevent invasives.

Our future depends on what
you do in the next ten years.

A 50-Year National Mission

Here's what's possible if we build on that first ten years...



Fire will define the next 50 years.

We will define the fire.

Want to learn more about the vision for New Wildfire Futures?

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