

SYMPOSIUM PROGRAM

LIVING WITH FIRE IN CALIFORNIA’S COAST RANGES

Promoting Fire-Resilient Communities and Landscapes in an Era of Global Change



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MONDAY MAY 7

Setting the stage: Fire ecology and fire history of the Central and North Coast Ranges		
08:30-08:50	1. Welcome, introduction, Sonoma State University welcome and agenda	Hugh Safford, US Forest Service Pacific SW Region, Lenya Quinn-Davidson, UC-Cooperative Extension, and Lisa Vollendorf, SSU Provost
08:50-09:10	2. Fire ecology basics: a primer for northern California communities	Lenya Quinn-Davidson, UC-Cooperative Extension
09:10-09:45	3. Fire ecology of the central and north Coast Ranges of California	Scott Stephens, UC-Berkeley
09:45-10:15	4. Modern era fire history in the Central Coast Region: What the past can tell us about the future	Marshall Turbeville, CAL FIRE, Sonoma-Lake-Napa Unit
10:15-10:35	Discussion	
10:35-10:55	Break (coffee and tea provided)	
Understanding the Wine Country Fires		
10:55-11:40	5. Fall 2017 Sonoma Fires: An operational perspective on emergency response, tactics, and the modern Urban-Interface fire problem	Greg Bertelli, CAL FIRE, Sonoma-Lake-Napa Unit
11:40-12:10	Discussion	
12:10-13:40	Lunch (Provided)	
Understanding the Wine Country Fires (cont)		

13:40-14:10	6. Meteorology and weather associated with extreme wildfire in Coastal California	Craig Clements, San Jose State University
14:10-14:40	7. Nexus between climate, weather and ignition sources: Regional patterns in California	Jon Keeley, US Geological Survey
14:40-15:00	Discussion	
15:00-15:20	Break	
Fire and humans		
15:20-15:50	8. Native management of the land: Renegotiating our understanding of fire	Chuck Striplen, California Waterboard
15:50-16:10	9. What to do about smoke? Air quality and effects of wildfires on human health	Lee Tarnay, US Forest Service
16:10-16:40	10. Estimating the impacts of fire on ecosystem services	Emma Underwood, UC-Davis & Univ Southhampton, UK
16:40-17:10	Discussion	
17:10-17:30	Wrapup and notes for following day	Hugh Safford, US Forest Service Pacific SW Region





TUESDAY MAY 8

What does the future hold?		
08:30-08:40	11. Introduction, Agenda, summary of Monday	Hugh Safford, US Forest Service Pacific SW Region
08:40-09:10	12. Woodlands and wildlands in a changing climate	David Ackerly, UC-Berkeley
09:10-09:35	13. Wildfire response to climate change in California's Central and North Coast Ranges	Leroy Westerling, UC-Merced
09:35-10:00	14. The role of urban development in changing wildfire patterns and community vulnerability: an historical perspective and future possibilities	Alexandra Syphard, Conservation Biology Institute
10:00-10:30	Discussion	
10:30-10:50	Break (coffee and tea provided)	
The wildland urban interface: fire and your home		
10:50-11:15	15. Home design and retrofitting techniques for wildfire defense	Yana Valachovic, UC Cooperative Extension
11:15-11:40	16. Defensible Space -- controlling ignition potential in the home ignition zone	Ben Nicholls, CAL FIRE, Sonoma-Lake-Napa Unit
11:40-12:00	17. The role of fire safe councils and Firewise communities	Caerleon Safford, Sonoma FireSafe Council
12:00-12:30	Discussion	
12:30-1:40	Lunch (provided)	
Landuse and community planning		
14:00-14:30	18. Mapping wildland fire threats to people and property: Risk communication for regulators, planners, and the public	Dave Sapsis, CAL FIRE, Fire and Resource Assessment Program
14:30-15:00	19. Public safety in the wildland urban interface	Tom Cova, University of Utah
15:00-15:20	Discussion	
15:20-15:40	Break	
Landscape management, collaboration, education: learning to live with fire		
15:40-16:05	20. Fuel management strategies to reduce wildfire impacts in California's Coast Ranges	Jeff Kane, Humboldt State University

16:05-16:30	21. Understanding the actual and perceived social dynamics that inform public response to wildfires	Sarah McCaffrey, US Forest Service Northern Research Station and Rocky Mountain Research Station
16:30-17:00	22. Back to the future: Embracing fire as a resource for a resilient future	Lisa Micheli, Pepperwood; Supervisor James Gore, 4th District and Board Chair, Sonoma County; and Will Harling, Director Mid Klamath Watershed Council and Orleans/Somes Bar Fire Safe Council
17:00-17:30	Discussion	
17:30-17:45	Wrapup, info regarding field trips, etc.	Hugh US Forest Service Pacific SW Region

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