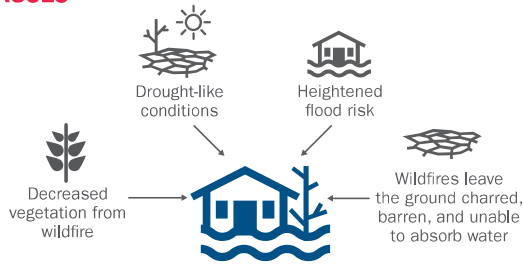


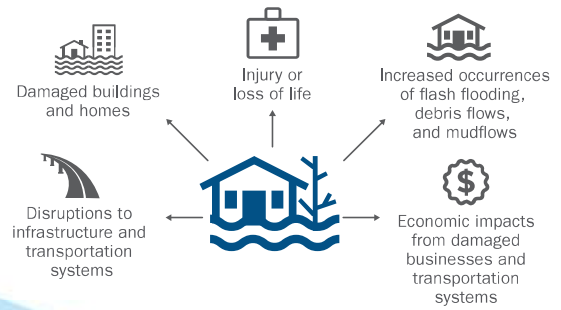
POST-WILDFIRE FLOODING

Wildfires leave the ground unable to absorb water, creating conditions ripe for flash flooding and mudflow.

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IMPACTS



How Can I Reduce My Risk?

- Secure objects in your yard that may be swept away or damaged by floodwaters
- Elevate your home and utilities (electrical, furnace, water heater, etc.) above the flood elevation
- Set back homes from river channels and shorelines
- Know your risk by visiting FEMA's FloodMap Service Center (msc.fema.gov/portal) or contacting your community's floodplain administrator to find out if your home is in a flood zone
- Coordinate with your community to keep storm drains free of debris
- Purchase flood insurance through the National Flood Insurance program. Talk to your insurance agent today.

How Can My Local Government Reduce My Risk?

- Join the National Flood Insurance Program and consider adopting regulations above the minimum requirements of the program
- Incorporate flood mitigation into community plans
- Consider future conditions in floodplain management activities
- Regulate development, including updating and enforcing building codes, in flood zones and wildfire hazard areas
- Improve stormwater management planning

Definitions



National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP): provides flood insurance to homeowners, renters, and business owners in communities that participate in the NFIP. Participating communities adopt and enforce ordinances that reduce the risk of flooding.

Additional Resources

- Ready.gov**
ready.gov/floods
ready.gov/wildfires
- National Flood Insurance Program**
fema.gov/national-flood-insurance-program
- Flood Economics**
<http://floodeconomics.com/>



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