

CA WILDFIRE & FOREST RESILIENCE TASK FORCE INLAND EMPIRE REGIONAL MEETING



Sept. 4, 2025

Thursday, September 4, 2025 – 10:00 AM to 4:30 PM In person: **Orton Center, University of Redlands**

Online: **Zoom**

8:30 AM	Resource Fair & Check in	Local Partners & Displays
10:00 AM	Welcome & Opening Remarks	Wade Crowfoot, CA Natural Resources Agency Jason Kuiken, U.S. Forest Service Adrienne McCormick, U. of Redlands Michelle Decker, IE Community Foundation Joe Tyler, CAL FIRE
10:45 AM	Director's Report	Patrick Wright, Task Force
11:15 AM	Wildfire Resilience in the Inland Empire: Collaborative Efforts Producing Results State, federal, and nonprofit partners will highlight the Inland Empire's unique landscape and discuss how partnerships and fuels treatments boosted wildfire preparedness and response in the 2024 fire season.	Moderator: Kathy Peterson, SCIRP Dania Gutierrez, National Forest Foundation Shane Littlefield, CAL FIRE San Bernardino Unit Danelle Harrison, San Bernardino National Forest
12:15 PM	Lunch	
1:10 PM	Optional Video Screening: 2024 Success Stories	U.S. Forest Service
1:30 PM	Southern California's Roadmap to Resilience: Regional Strategies and Partnerships Regional leaders will highlight how cooperative agreements and partnerships are turning strategies into action on protecting communities, reducing ignitions, and restoring landscapes.	Moderator: Jeff Heys, USFS Michael O'Connell, Irvine Ranch Conservancy Lisa Worthington, Caltrans Heather Dyer, San Bernardino Valley Muni. Water Sal Reyes, San Bernardino National Forest
2:40 PM	BREAK	
3:00 PM	Tracking, Funding, and Measuring Progress in Southern California Experts will explore how new approaches are broadening funding sources and shifting wildfire resilience tracking from acres to outcomes.	Moderator: Dania Gutierrez, National Forest Fdn. John Battles, UC Berkeley Joe Flannery, Vibrant Planet Matt Sloggy, USFS Pacific SW Research Station Nick Wobbrock, Blue Forest Will Madrigal, Jr., Climate Science Alliance
4:10 PM	Closing Remarks	Executive Committee
5-7:00 PM	Reception	Sustainable University of Redlands Farm
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