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Wildfire Preparedness Resources & Panel Discussion

Lake Elsinore USD

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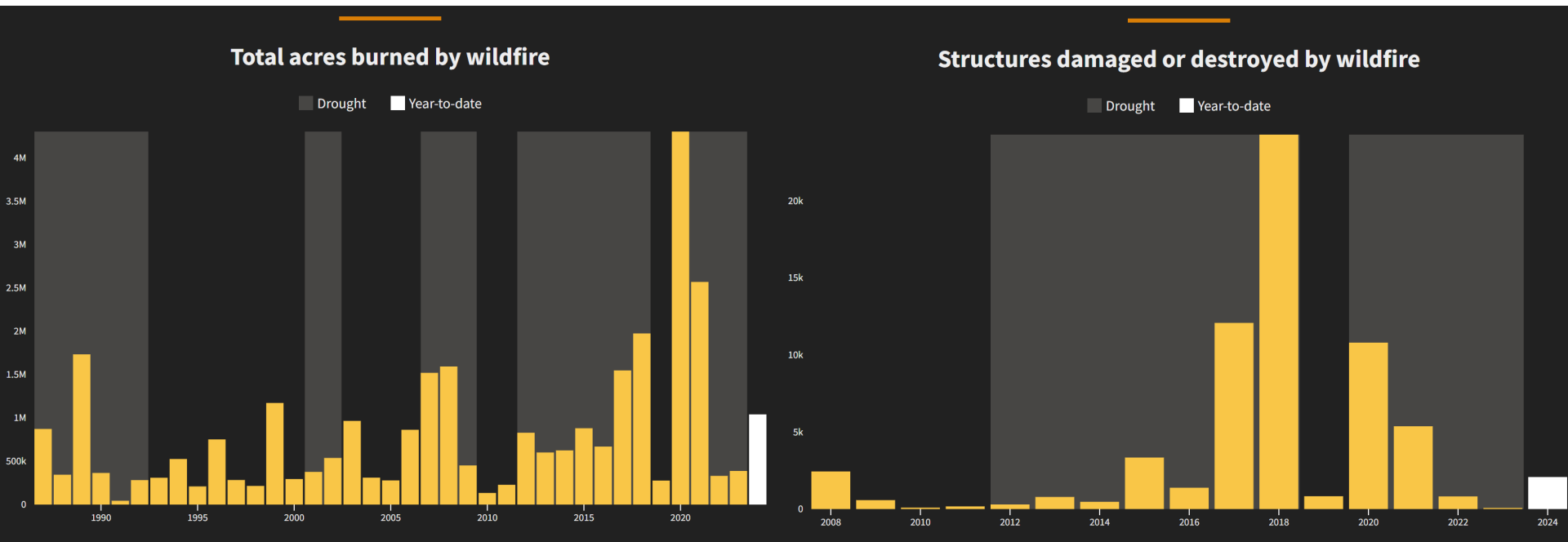
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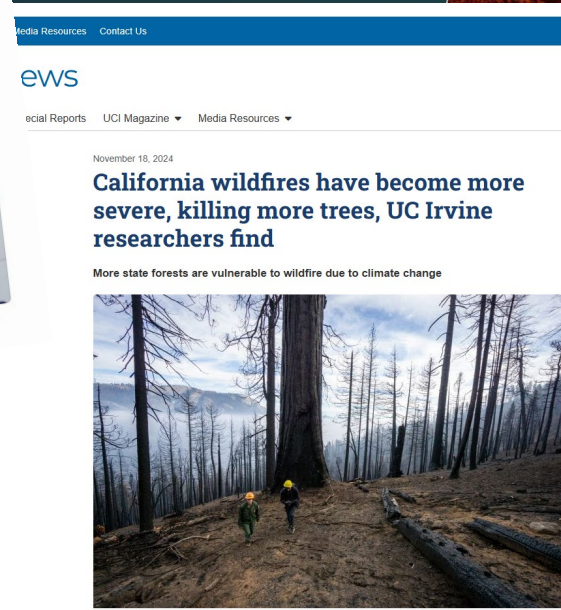
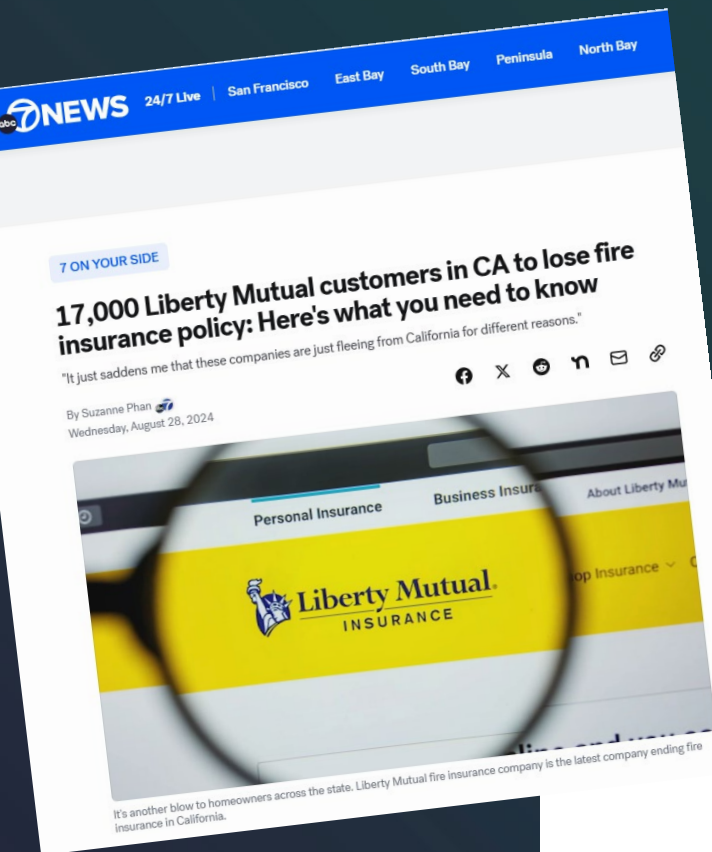


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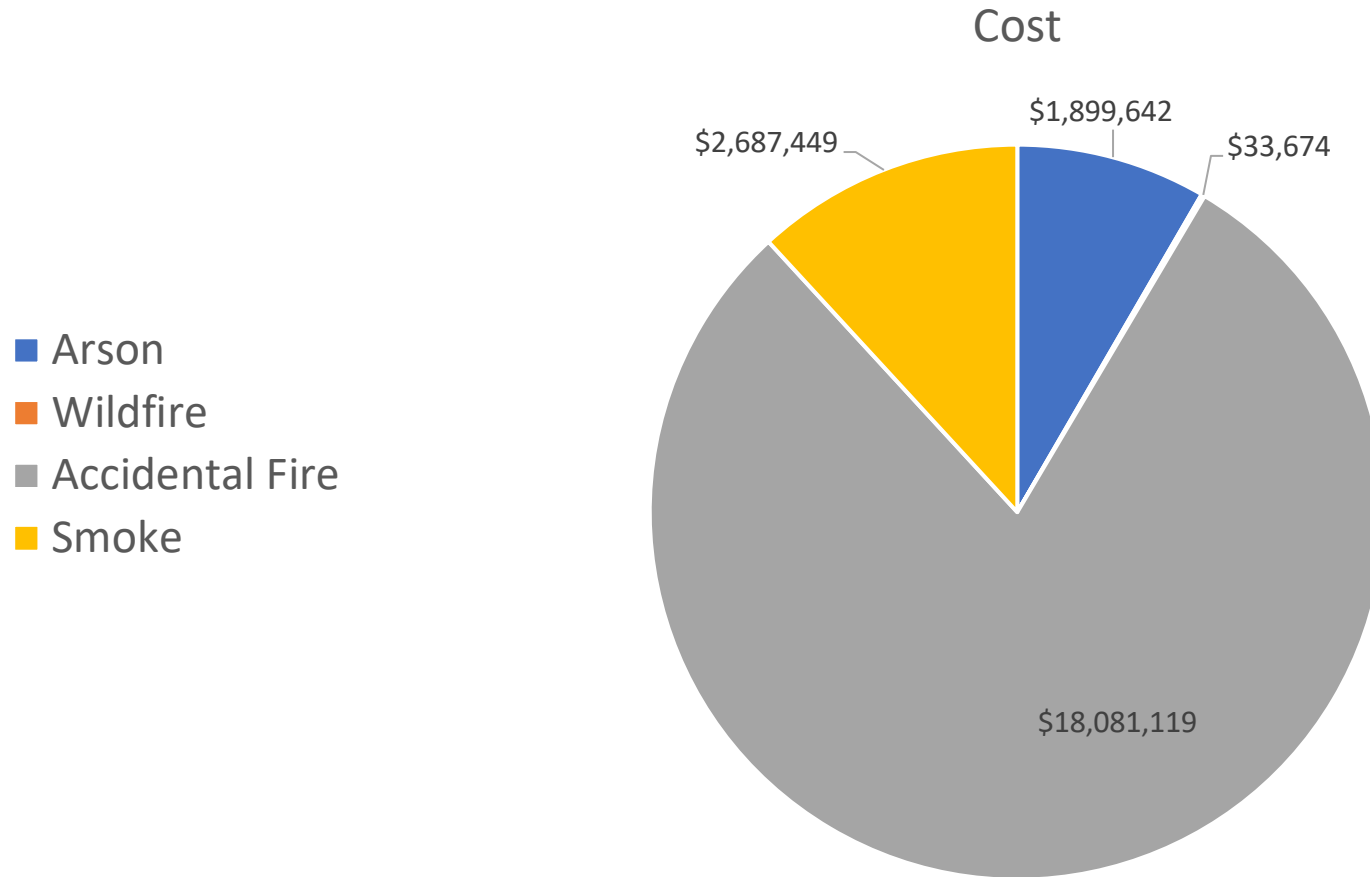
- Overview of Wildfires in California
- Tools to make Wildfire Preparedness Easy(er)
- Lake Elsinore USD: Lessons Learned Panel Discussion

California Wildfire Statistics

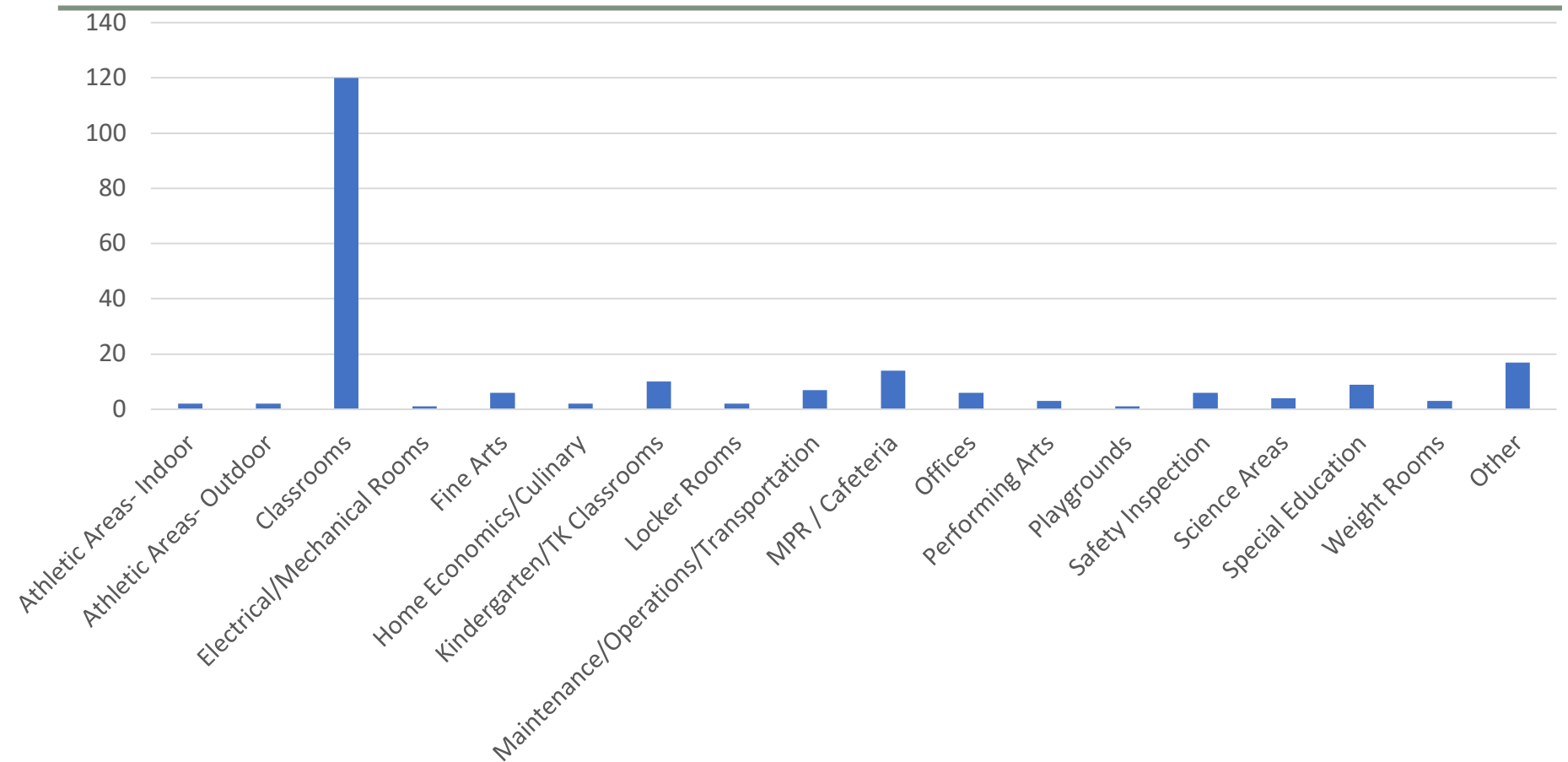




The Damage Isn't Limited to the Fire Itself



What Fire Hazards We See at Districts



Making Exposure Management Easier

SAFER Wildfire Checklist



Wildfire Checklist



PREPAREDNESS

Utilize this as you evaluate your site's overall level of preparedness, and consider implementing different designs, materials, or processes if you determine your site could be more prepared than it is now.



RESPONSE

Complete these action items if a wildfire approaching your site appears likely and/or if you anticipate being evacuated.



PREVENTION

Complete at least quarterly, especially in the Spring, as peak wildfire season approaches.



RECOVERY

Verify fire authorities have lifted evacuation orders and cleared the area for return prior to trying to access sites.



Loss Control Support

Wildfire Exposure Mitigation Program

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Pre-Fire Strategies

Build a Wildfire Mitigation Team by identifying stakeholders from district and relevant fire agencies. (Facilitated by Loss Control)

District

Risk Management: (name/contact info)

Maintenance & Operations: (name/contact info)

Site Administrator: (name/contact info)

Cabinet Member: (name/contact info)

Fire Agencies

Local Fire Department Representative: (name/contact info)

County Fire Service Representative: (name/contact info)

CAL FIRE Representative: (name/contact info)

Loss Control Support

Preliminary Meeting

Conduct a preliminary meeting to plan and determine responsible persons to execute the following actions.

Facilitated by Loss Control (combination of meeting discussion and site walk/inspection)

Fire Inspection Status/Results

(Discussion/action items)

On-Property Mitigation Efforts/Needs

(On-site inspection findings and recommendations)

Surrounding property mitigation efforts/needs

(On-site inspection findings and recommendations)

Identify property owner(s) and contact info

(Information/documentation)

Fire response needs/routes/access planning

(On-site inspection findings and recommendations)

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Monitor Warnings & Alerts

Monitor National Weather Service and Cal Fire warnings and alerts for wildfire conditions.

(Facilitated by Loss Control. Tell the district to take action on this)

[California Fire Weather](#)

<https://plan.readyforwildfire.org/en/incidents>

Utilize automated notification system to alert the WMT of likely or imminent wildfire threats. (Loss Control in coordination with managing fire agency)

Loss Control Support

Field Operations Guide (FOG)

Develop a Field Operations Guide (map/photos) for site with clearly identified:

1. HVAC shut off locations (LC Advisor makes this)
2. Gas shut off locations. (LC Advisor makes this)
3. Checklist for emergency shut down and restoration of these utilities to include inspection of site for operable openings to ensure they can all be closed when necessary. (LC Advisor makes this)
4. Identify District/Site person, with backup person, to perform the FOG actions. (Site contact name/info)

[Field Operations Guide Template \(Click Here\)](#)

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Resources

Provide site/district staff with our wildfire damage mitigation toolkit resource(s) and train them on how/when to use them.

Wildfire Checklist

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Case Study & Panel Discussion

Background

Holy Fire	Airport Fire
2018	2024
23,136 Acres	23,526 Acres
5 weeks to be fully contained	4 weeks to be fully contained
18 structures destroyed	160 structures destroyed
Caused by arson	Caused by sparks from public works tractor moving large boulders to try to prevent dirt bikes from entering a high fire hazard area





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Panel Discussion

Lake Elsinore USD: Challenges & Lessons Learned	Holy Fire	Airport Fire
Evacuations – Students/Staff	Weeks	4 days
Evacuations – HVAC Shutdown	Manual process – 5 staff	Internet controlled – “fire button”
Public Safety Power Shut-Off		
Communication with FD and PD	Defensible space efforts Relationships with PD Captains/ICS	Defensible space efforts Relationships with PD Captains/ICS
Wildfire Smoke/Closing Schools	School closure notifications	Cal-OSHA wildfire standard
Facility/Ash Cleanup	ServePro – 100s of “people”	In-house
Long Term Effects/Aftermath	Rains/debris flow evacuations	Planning & practicing in the event is happens again

Thank You!

