

WORK SESSION AGENDA

**CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
TUESDAY
APRIL 10, 2018**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
211 WEST ASPEN AVENUE
6:00 P.M.**

1. Call to Order

NOTICE OF OPTION TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the City Council and to the general public that, at this work session, the City Council may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, for legal advice and discussion with the City's attorneys for legal advice on any item listed on the following agenda, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).

2. Pledge of Allegiance and Mission Statement

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the City of Flagstaff is to protect and enhance the quality of life for all.

3. Roll Call

NOTE: One or more Councilmembers may be in attendance telephonically or by other technological means.

MAYOR EVANS
VICE MAYOR WHELAN
COUNCILMEMBER BAROTZ
COUNCILMEMBER MCCARTHY

COUNCILMEMBER ODEGAARD
COUNCILMEMBER OVERTON
COUNCILMEMBER PUTZOVA

4. Public Participation

Public Participation enables the public to address the council about items that are not on the prepared agenda. Public Participation appears on the agenda twice, at the beginning and at the end of the work session. You may speak at one or the other, but not both. Anyone wishing to comment at the meeting is asked to fill out a speaker card and submit it to the recording clerk. When the item comes up on the agenda, your name will be called. You may address the Council up to three times throughout the meeting, including comments made during Public Participation. Please limit your remarks to three minutes per item to allow everyone to have an opportunity to speak. At the discretion of the Chair, ten or more persons present at the meeting and wishing to speak may appoint a representative who may have no more than fifteen minutes to speak.

5. **Preliminary Review of Draft Agenda for the April 17, 2018, City Council Meeting.***

** Public comment on draft agenda items may be taken under "Review of Draft Agenda Items" at the discretion of the Mayor. Citizens wishing to speak on agenda items not specifically called out by the City Council for discussion under the Review section may submit a speaker card for their items of interest to the recording clerk.*

6. **2018 Wildfire Preparedness and Outlook Briefing**

7. **Discussion/Direction:** Current Issues Before Arizona Legislature and Federal Issues

8. **2018 Ballot Discussion:** Discussion of potential measures to be placed on the the 2018 ballot by Council including Transportation Tax, Affordable Housing, and a measure related to the Citizen's Petition from Flagstaff Open Space, Parks, and Recreation (FOSPR).

9. **Informational Items To/From Mayor, Council, and City Manager; future agenda item requests.**

10. **Adjournment**

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING OF NOTICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing notice was duly posted at Flagstaff City Hall on _____, at _____ a.m./p.m. in accordance with the statement filed by the City Council with the City Clerk.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2018.

Elizabeth A. Burke, MMC, City Clerk

CITY OF FLAGSTAFF

STAFF SUMMARY REPORT

To: The Honorable Mayor and Council
From: Paul Summerfelt, Wildland Fire Manager
Co-Submitter: Mark Gaillard
Date: 04/05/2018
Meeting Date: 04/10/2018



TITLE

2018 Wildfire Preparedness and Outlook Briefing

STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Information Only

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

2018 promises to be challenging: Conditions are such that large fires could occur in the southwest area, including the Flagstaff region. Wildfire is a team effort, and both the City and our many partners are prepared. This briefing will focus on fire history, trends and conditions, surprises to watch for, actions already taken, currently underway, or planned for this year, results, and resource availability. Presenting will be the Flagstaff Fire Dept, the Flagstaff Police Dept, Coconino County Emergency Management, and the U.S. Forest Service.

INFORMATION:

See attached ppt

Attachments: 2018 Wildfire Briefing

WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS BRIEFING

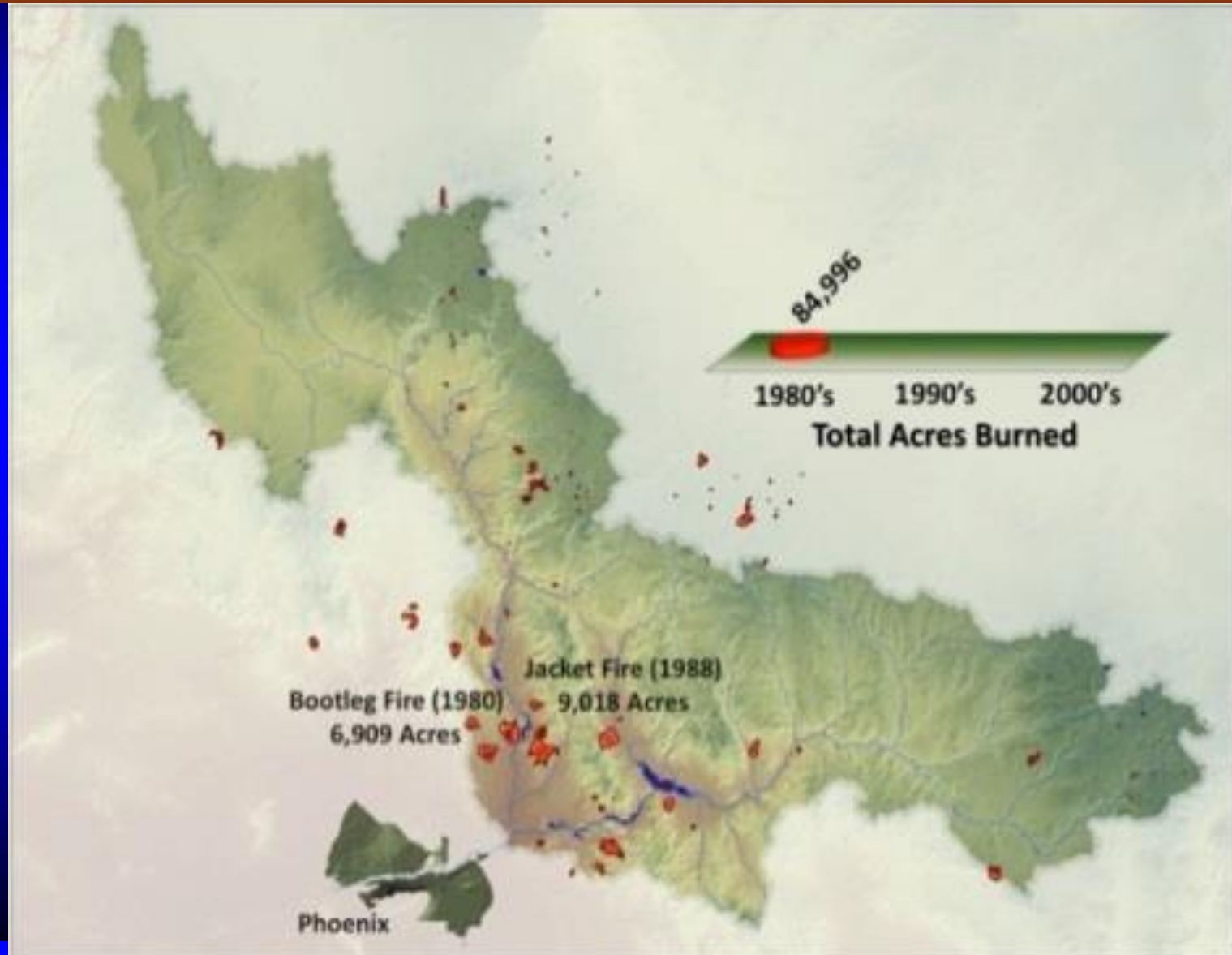
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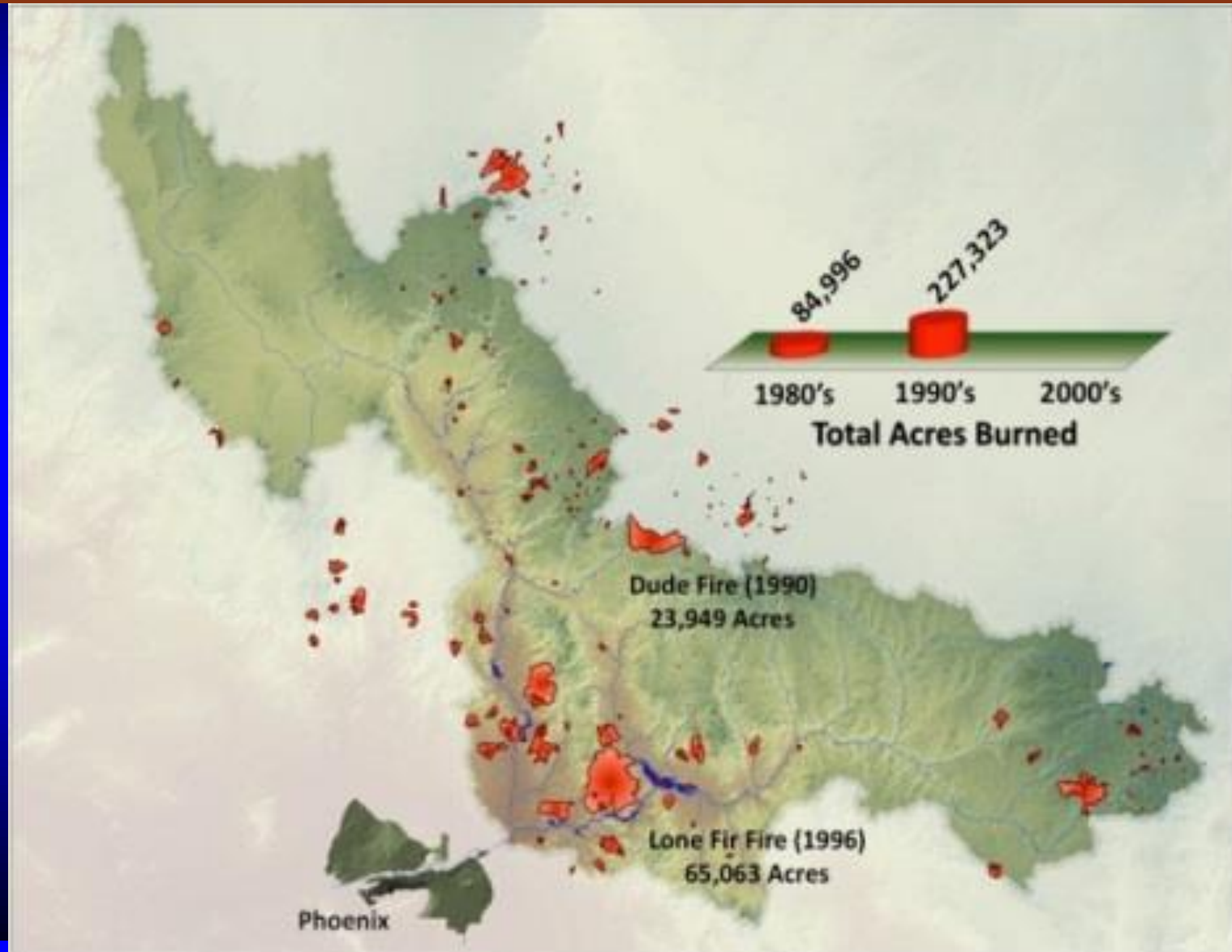
***Paul Summerfelt – FFD
Sgt Ryan Coons – FPD
Todd Whitney – CCEM
Duane Tewa – USFS***

***... each have a role,
all our partners***

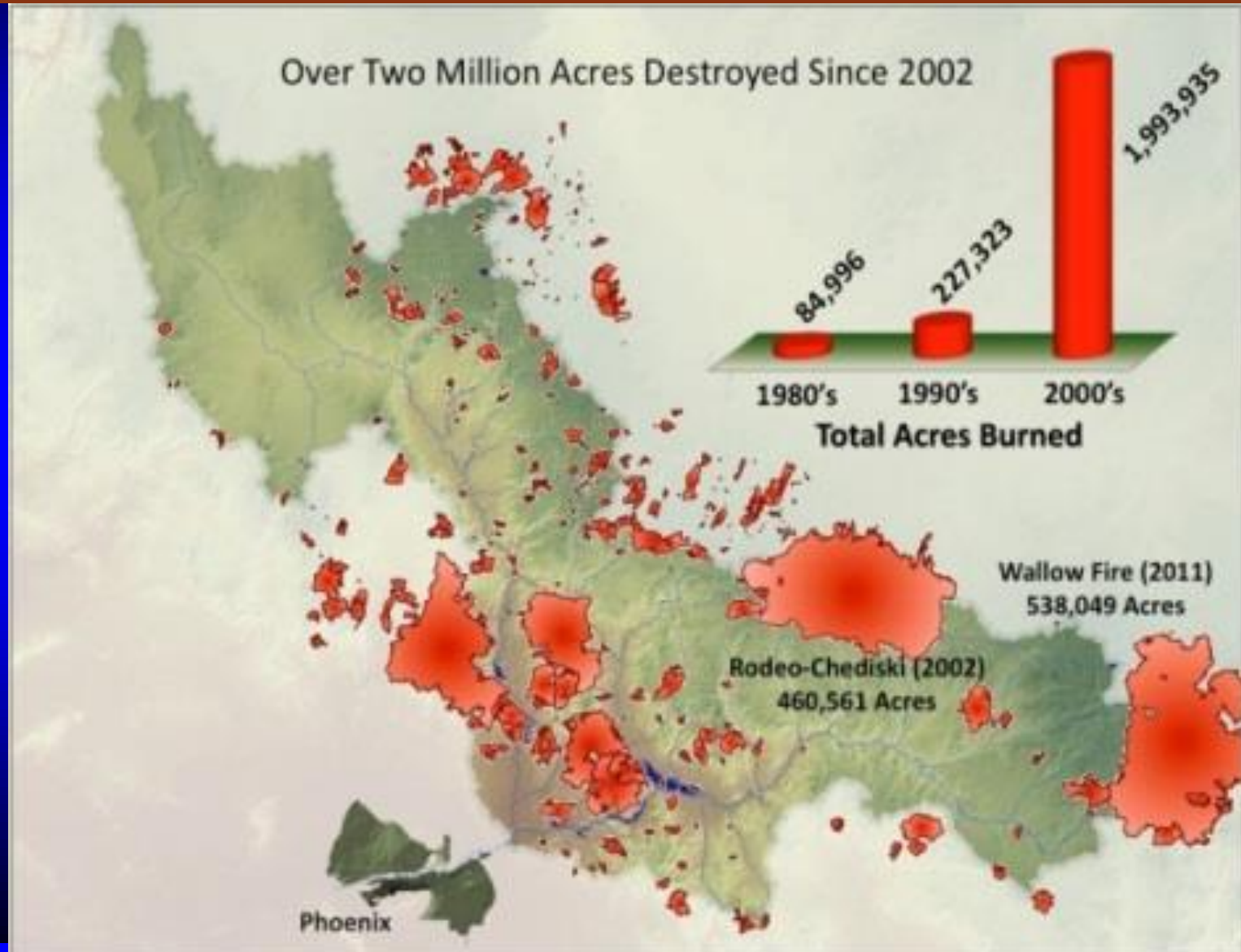
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Total Acres Burned 1990s



Total Acres Burned 2000's



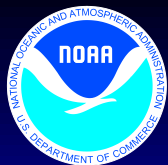
Fire Season Factors

Severity & Duration highly dependent upon:

1. Drought
2. Fine Fuels Condition
3. Seasonal Temperature & Precipitation
4. Spring & early Summer Weather Pattern
5. Monsoon

2018 Bottom Line: ...nothing to tell us we are in-the-clear:

***In-fact, despite recent moisture,
indications to this point tell us the opposite***



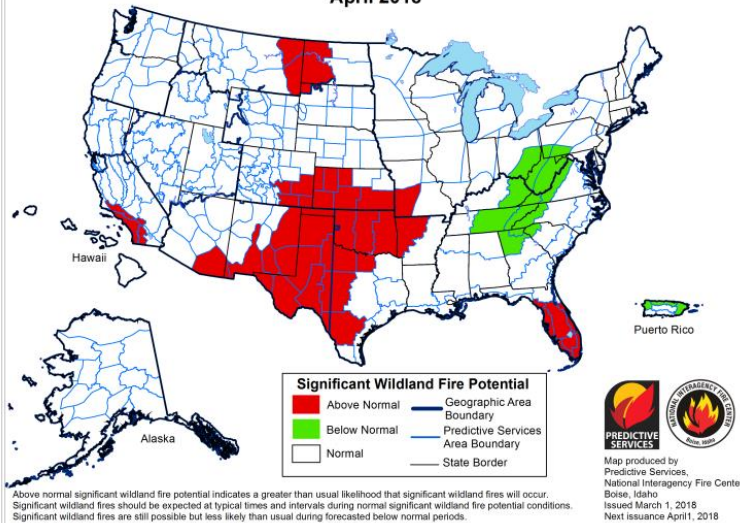
Flagstaff Precipitation

Since Oct 1st

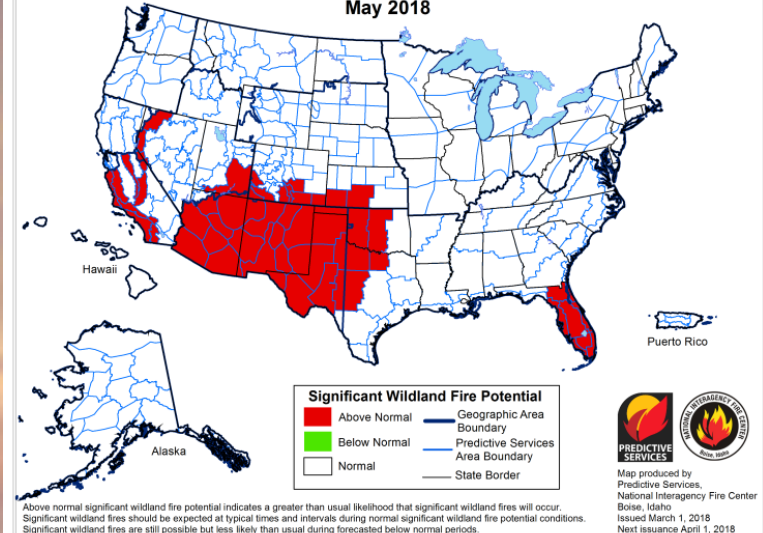


National Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook

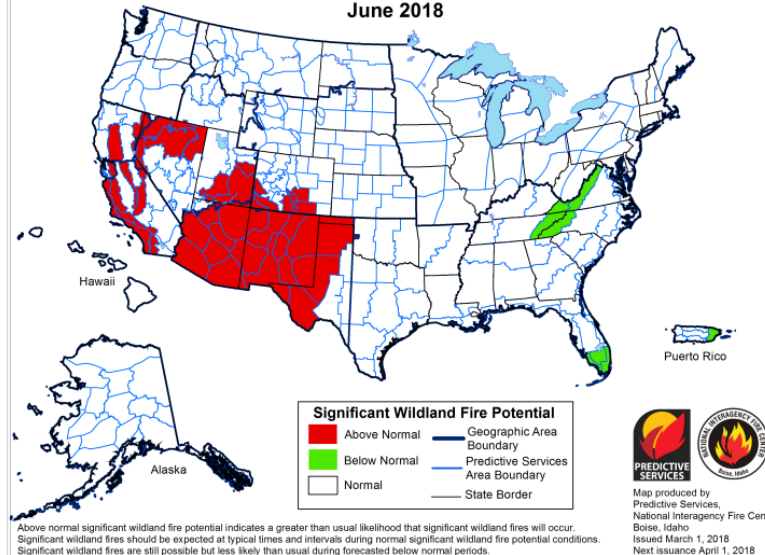
**Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook
April 2018**



**Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook
May 2018**

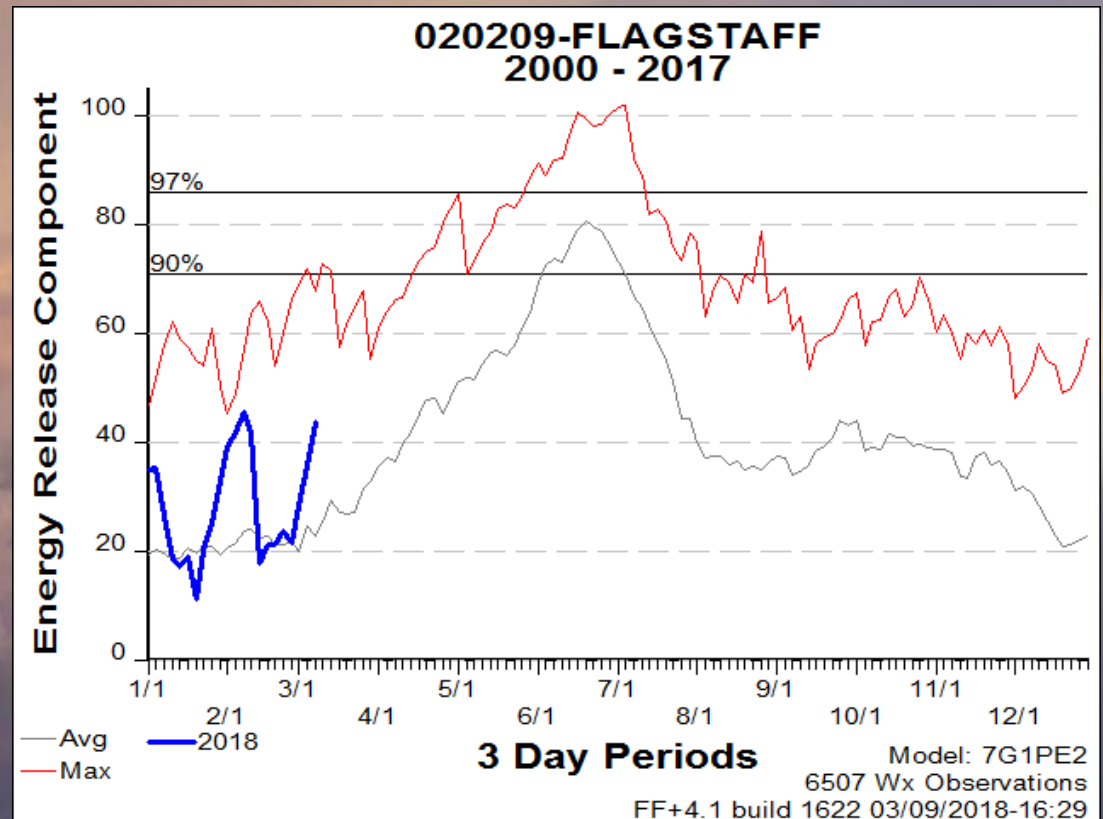


**Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook
June 2018**



Our Status & Readiness Posture

- It's always fire season;
- Only questions are *when*, *where*, and *how long*;
- We prepare every year;
- We are ready year-round,
- We aren't in this alone,
- Everybody plays a part.



Surprises to Watch for in 2018

- Rapid increase in fire activity over a very short time frame sometime this spring/early summer:
 - Recent observed fire behavior – persistent but “subdued” – will increase exponentially, and
 - When this occurs, on-going fires will roar to life, and possibly defy any management / control efforts until the monsoon.



2018 Focus Areas

- **Prevention:**

- ***Shelter presentations***
- ***Woods Watch***
- ***Joint patrols w/PD***

- **Preparedness:**

- ***Community Wildfire Preparedness Day – May 5th***
- ***Restrictions & Closure Plan -***
 - ❖ ***Updated***
 - ❖ ***Staff orientation***
 - ❖ ***Weekly partner coordination calls & City Dept Updates***
 - ❖ ***Fireworks***





2018 Focus Areas

- **Preparedness (cont):**

- ***Training: AZ Wildfire Academy, Annual Refresher***

- **Hazard Mitigation:**

- ***Forest Treatments: Thinning, debris disposal, Rx fire***
- ***Home & Property clean-up: Firewise***

- **Response:**

- ***Line & City Crew 1***
- ***Severity Unit(s)***

- **Recovery: as required**



COLLABORATION & PARTNERSHIPS



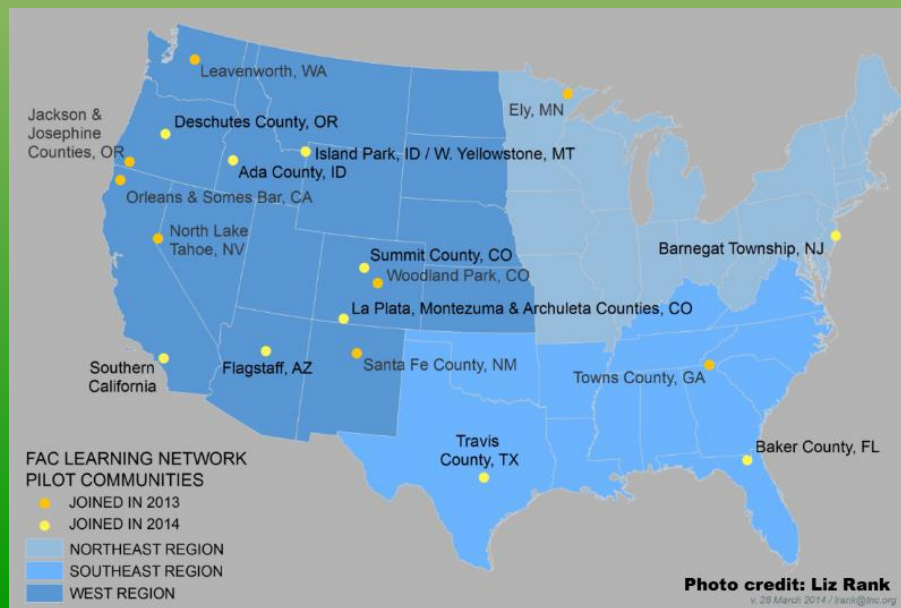
FLAGSTAFF WATERSHED
PROTECTION PROJECT



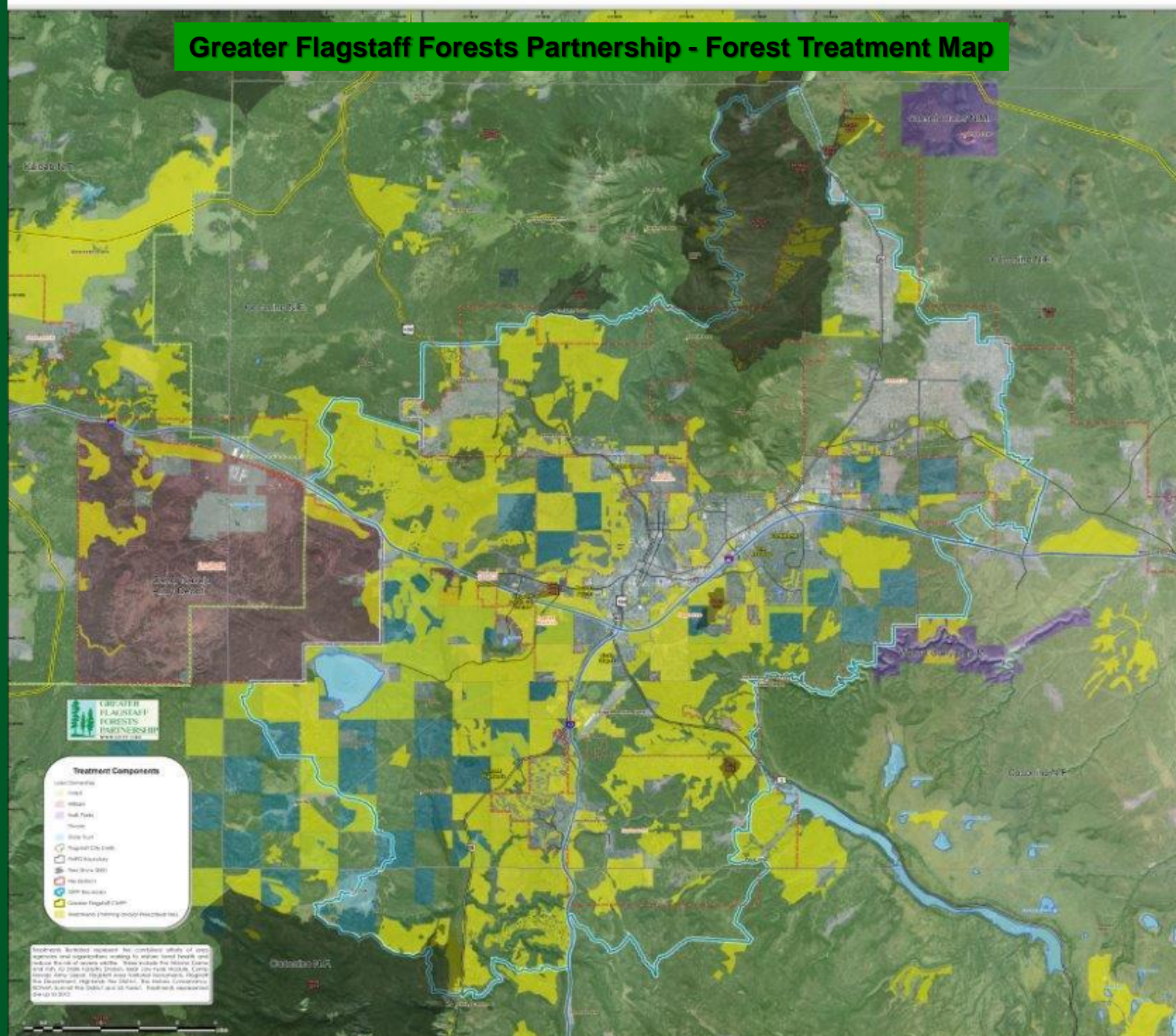
TEAM RUBICON



***Fire Adapted Communities →
&
Fellow Fire Depts
(Ashland OR,, Austin TX, Santa Fe NM)***



Greater Flagstaff Forests Partnership - Forest Treatment Map

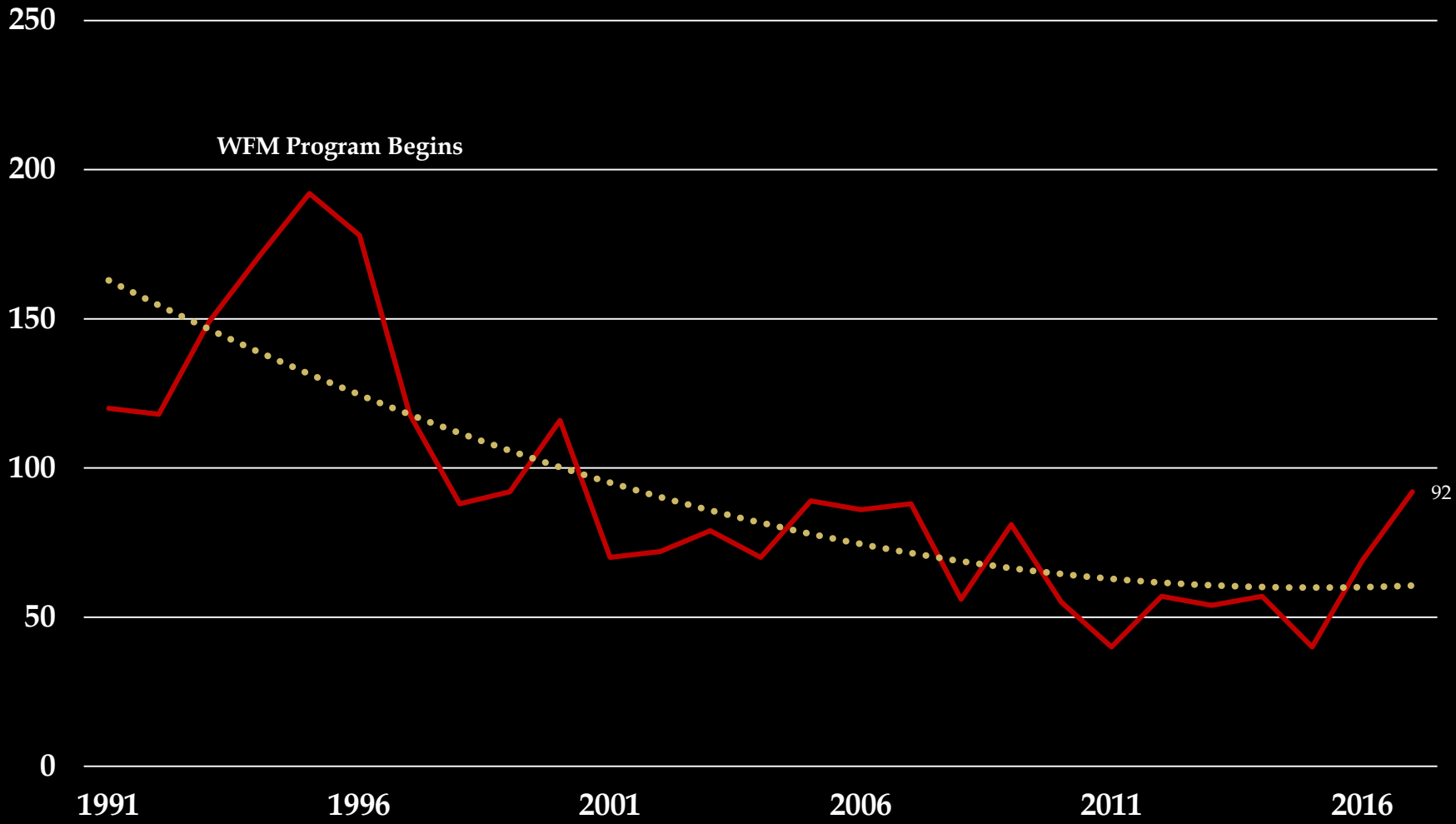


Wildland Fire Occurance

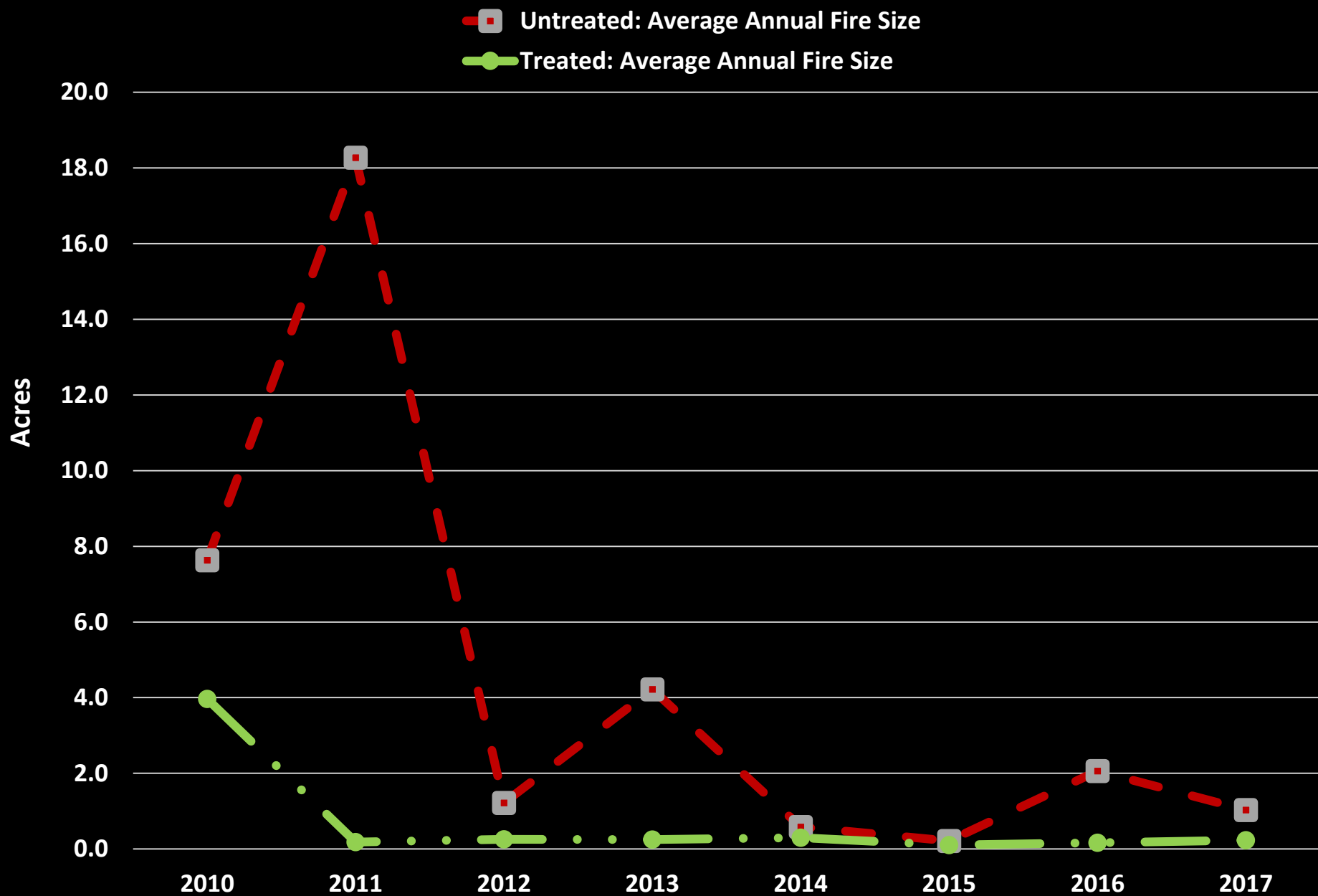
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WFM Program Begins

of Wildland Fires



Wildland Fire Size in Treated and Untreated Areas



Law Enforcement Fire Prevention Patrols

- Proactive patrols typically start in May. This year, the PD began preparing for forest patrols in April
- Patrols begin when weather becomes more moderate due to a “Necessity” clause in the city camping ordinance
 - *Fire danger is lower during (most) winter months due to precipitation*



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Law Enforcement Fire Prevention Patrols

Patrol Efforts

- Early morning patrols in the wooded areas of Flagstaff to address illegal camping and campfires
- Night time flights looking for illegal campsites and campfires begin in coordination with fire restrictions
 - *Fire assets can be directed to the area by personnel on the flight*
- The Justice Assistance Grant will be used to pay overtime costs associated with evening flights
 - *1 officer daily for 2 - 3 hours*



**Evening air patrols
conducted with CCSO**



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Law Enforcement Fire Prevention Patrols

Woods Watch Volunteers

- The Woods Watch program will be coordinated with the Coconino County Sheriff's Office again this year
- The first training class was conducted in April at the LEAF.
- Woods Watch volunteers aid law enforcement by reporting violations of forest closure restrictions



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State-wide Preparedness

- **Ready, Set, Go!**
 - Adopted by the AZ Sheriff's Association
 - Provides standardized evacuation language
 - Existing national preparedness campaign.

EVACUATION TERMINOLOGY

READY, SET, GO!



Emergency Notifications System

GETTING THE WORD OUT

**Be Informed
Be Ready**

The Coconino County Emergency Notification System provides emergency information and warnings.

BE READY – SIGN UP AT
Coconino.az.gov/ready

For help registering, please call Emergency Management at 928-679-8311.

 COCONINO
COUNTY ARIZONA

 **Emergency Notifications**
Coconino.az.gov/ready

**Manténgase
Informado
Esté Listo**

El sistema de Notificación de Emergencias proporciona información y avisos de urgencia en el condado de Coconino.

INSCRÍBASE EN
Coconino.az.gov/ready

Si necesita ayuda para inscribirse, llame a la oficina de gestión de emergencias (Emergency Management) al 928-679-8311.

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- Sign up Campaign
 - Bumper sticker program
 - All County vehicles
 - City Vehicles
 - Fire District Vehicles
- Banners
- English/ Spanish brochures
- Community events

CALL CENTER

Community Information

A unit within emergency management/ tied to the Joint Information Center that provides a call center service.

- Event specific accurate and timely information.
- Available to any member of the community
(**enhancing multi-language availability**)
- Staffed by CERT and County employees.

928-679-8393



Coconino National Forest Fire and Aviation Management Program

- ▶ **Chief's Letter of Intent...**
 - ▶ ***“Continuing Commitment to Life First...
▶ Stop...Think...Talk...Act”***
 - ▶ ***Implement strategies and tactics that commit responders only to operations where and when they can be successful, and under conditions where important values actually at risk are protected with the least exposure necessary while maintaining relationships with the people we serve.***

Coconino NF

Restoration Efforts

- **Flagship Targets**
- **Four Forest Restoration Initiative**
- **Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project**
- **C. C. Cragin Reservoir**



FLAGSTAFF WATERSHED
PROTECTION PROJECT



Wildland Fire Dispatch

- ▶ **Coconino National Forest**
- ▶ **BIA Navajo and Hopi Agencies**
- ▶ **Flagstaff and Verde Valley Monuments**
- ▶ **PFAC and the Greater Flagstaff Area**





Fire Prevention Strategies

- **Education**
- **Patrols**
- **Severity**
- **Restrictions**





Wildfire Detection

- ▶ **Lookout Towers**
- ▶ **Aerial Detection**
- ▶ **Public**





Engines and Crews (USFS)

- ▶ **Engines (12)**
- ▶ **Crews (3)**
- ▶ **Water Tenders (4)**
- ▶ **Dozers (2)**
- ▶ **Misc. Overhead**
- ▶ **178 Total Firefighters**





National Ground Resources

- ▶ **60 Interagency IMT**
- ▶ **113 Interagency Hotshot Crews**
- ▶ **10,000 Firefighters**
- ▶ **900 Engines**
- ▶ **Partners**
- ▶ **International**





National Air Resources

- ▶ **18 Large/Very Large Fixed-Winged Air tankers**
- ▶ **5-7 SEAT's in the SW in 2018**
- ▶ **28 Type 1 Helicopters, 34 Type 2 Helicopters**
- ▶ **13 Exclusive Use Helicopters in the SW**
- ▶ **Fixed Winged Fleet**



Questions ?



CITY OF FLAGSTAFF

STAFF SUMMARY REPORT

To: The Honorable Mayor and Council
From: Caleb Blaschke, Assistant to the City Manager
Co-Submitter: Barbara Goodrich
Date: 04/03/2018
Meeting Date: 04/10/2018



TITLE

2018 Ballot Discussion: Discussion of potential measures to be placed on the the 2018 ballot by Council including Transportation Tax, Affordable Housing, and a measure related to the Citizen's Petition from Flagstaff Open Space, Parks, and Recreation (FOSPR).

STAFF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Council discussion.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

On March 27, 2018 the City Council began reviewing the Citizens Transportation Tax Commission's recommendations and asked that it be brought back for further discussion.

On February 13, 2018 during the budget retreat, City Council directed staff to prepare an agenda item for consideration of a potential affordable housing bond measure for the November 2018 election.

On April 3, 2018 the City Council heard a Citizen's Petition from Flagstaff Open Space, Parks, and Recreation (FOSPR). The City Council gave direction to City staff to hold a discussion at a future Council meeting.

The attached presentation provides information for the potential 2018 ballot measures that include the transportation sales tax, housing secondary property tax and the FOSPR sales tax.

INFORMATION:

Council Goals

Transportation and Public Infrastructure: Send a transportation tax renewal question to voters in November 2018 and earn majority voter support.

Affordable Housing: Adopt a primary property tax rate increased to the maximum allowed with additional funds dedicated to setting up robust City-managed rental housing units.

Attachments: