

Fire Adapted New Mexico Learning Network (FACNM)

2022 Wildland Urban Fire Summit (WUFS)

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The National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy (NCWFMS)

“ The Cohesive Strategy will address the nation's wildfire problems by focusing on three key areas: ”

1. Restore and Maintain Landscapes
2. Fire Adapted Communities
3. Response to Fire

A New Fire Management Paradigm



Table 1. Contrasting fire management paradigms (Olson and Bengtson 2015)

Dominant Paradigm	New Paradigm
"War on fire"	"Work with the flow" of natural processes
Wildfire is destructive	Wildfire is a necessary natural process
Control wildfire on the landscape	Learn to live with fire on fire-adapted landscapes
Prevent and suppress fires	Create fire-resilient human and natural communities
The problem is that wildfires are escaping our control	The problem is that always suppressing natural wildfire is creating an unsustainable buildup of fuels which results in dangerous "unnatural fire"
The solution is to apply existing procedures and technologies more strongly to bring fires under control	The solution is to develop a more holistic approach to fire management where local communities, adjacent property owners, and governments work together to comanage fire risk



Fire Adapted Communities Coalition

The Fire Adapted Communities Coalition is committed to helping people and communities in the wildland urban interface adapt to living with wildfire and reduce their risk for damage, without compromising firefighter or civilian safety. The coalition provides information and expertise on the development of this website and other activities related to fire adapted communities. For an example of fire adapted communities principles in action, check out this report by the FAC Coalition: "[Lessons Learned From Waldo Canyon](#)" (2 mb, pdf) and the [Report Appendix](#) (2 mb, pdf).





FIRE ADAPTED COMMUNITIES LEARNING NETWORK

About the FAC Learning Network

Our Mission

Our mission is to connect and support people and communities who are striving to live more safely with wildfire. The Network is a catalyst for spreading best practices and innovations in **fire adaptation concepts nationwide**.




The purpose of FAC Net is to exchange information, collaborate to enhance the practice of fire adaptation, and work together and at multiple scales to help communities live safely with fire. This includes embracing resiliency concepts and taking action before, during and after wildfires.

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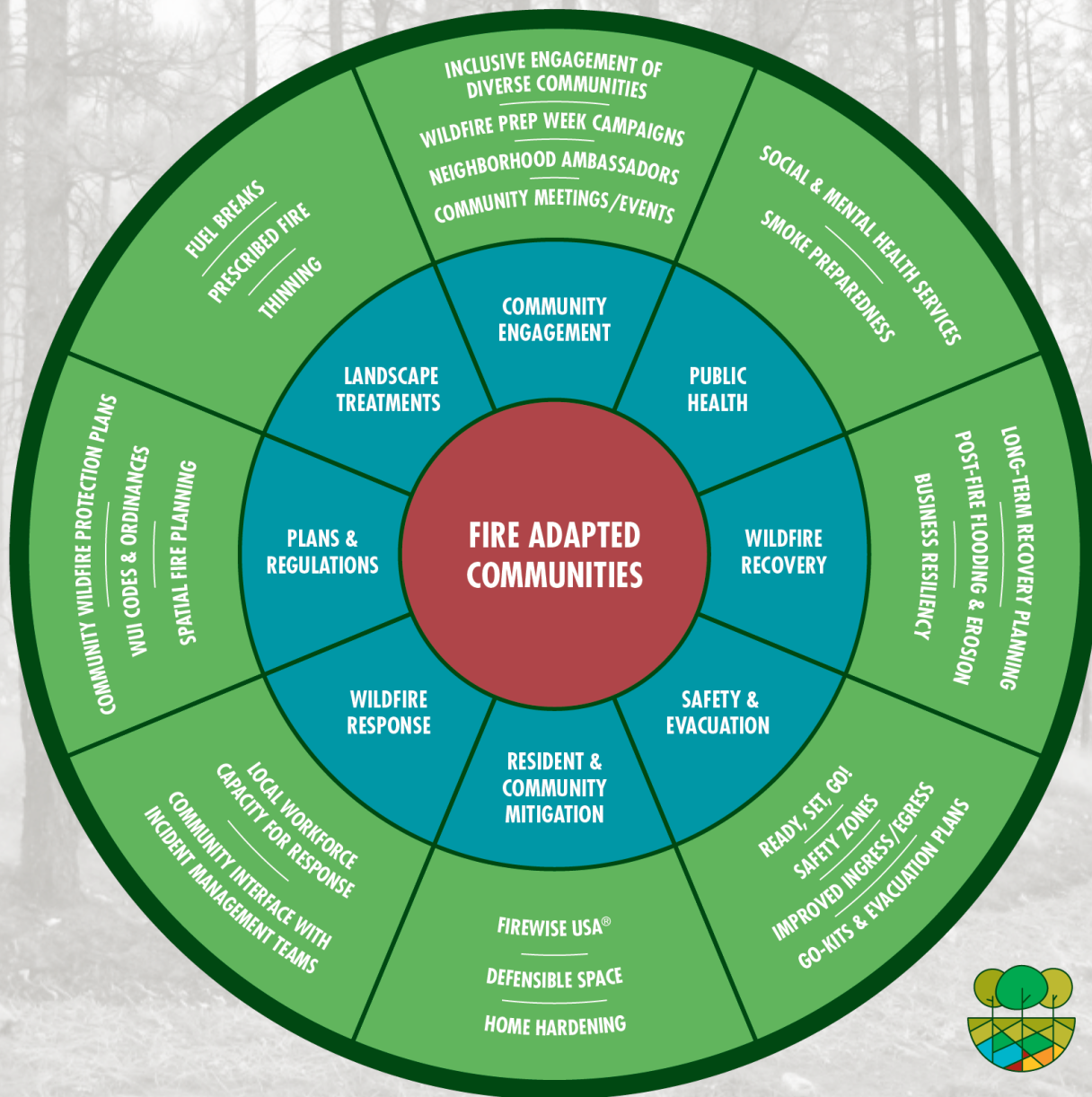
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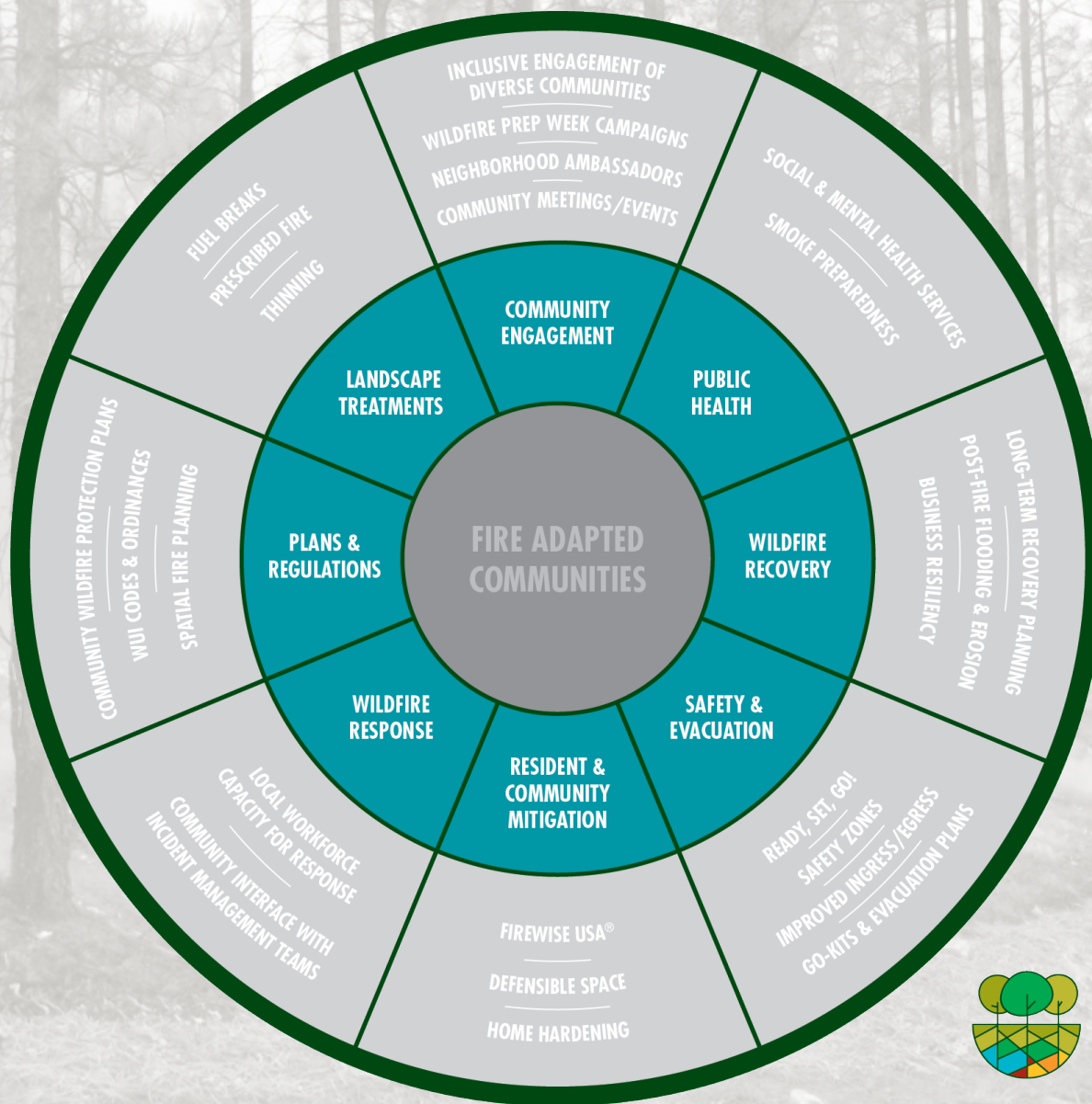
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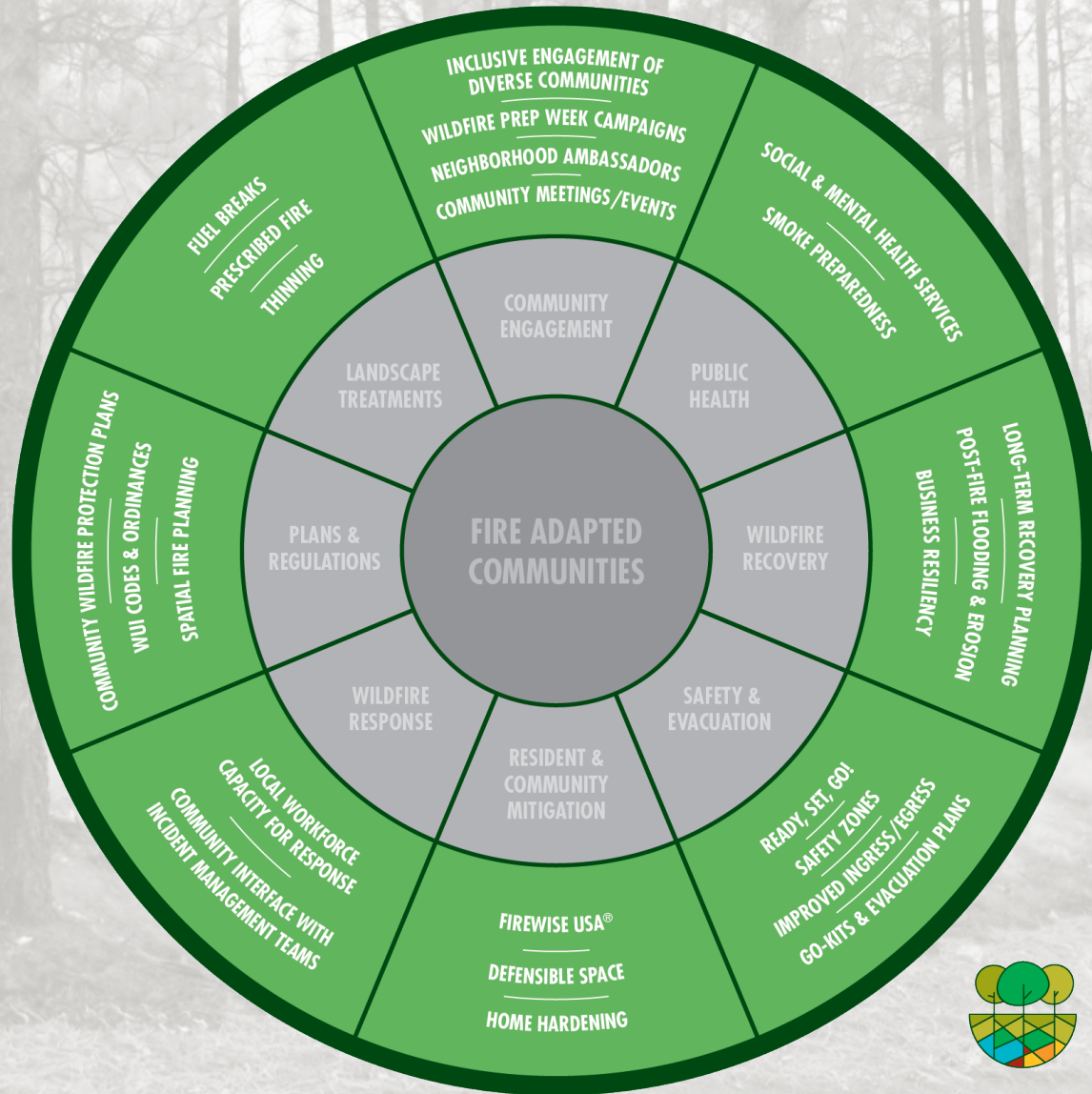
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From Hierarchy to Networks



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Key Goals of the Learning Network

- Peer-learning
- Professional relationship building



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