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BUILT TO LAST

Wildfire Risk Reduction in Utah

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Notable Utah Wildfires



Traverse Fire

Lehi, UT



Pole Creek & Bald Mountain

Mount Nebo, UT

**“For those that
have experienced
catastrophic
loss like we did
the day of the
Camp Fire, you’re
motivated not to
go through that
again, truly.”**



WHY IBHS?

Severe weather disrupts lives, displaces families, and drives financial loss. IBHS delivers top-tier science and translates it into action so we can prevent avoidable suffering, strengthen our homes and businesses, inform the insurance industry, and support thriving communities.



EMBERS

RADIANT HEAT

FLAMES





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ADDITIONAL MITIGATIONS AGAINST FLAMES

- ✓ Cover gutters.
- ✓ Enclose eaves.
- ✓ Install noncombustible siding.
- ✓ Upgrade windows & doors.
- ✓ Upgrade to a noncombustible deck.
- ✓ Move accessory structures at least 30 feet away.
- ✓ Remove back-to-back fencing.

MITIGATIONS AGAINST EMBERS

ROOF

- ✓ Ensure the roof covering is Class A fire-rated & maintained clear of debris.
- ✓ Choose noncombustible gutters & downspouts.

BUILDING FEATURES

- ✓ Install ember-resistant vents or 1/8-inch metal mesh over vents.
- ✓ Ensure 6-inch vertical noncombustible clearance at base of exterior walls.
- ✓ Clear & maintain the underdeck area; enclose low-elevation decks.

0–5 FOOT NONCOMBUSTIBLE ZONE

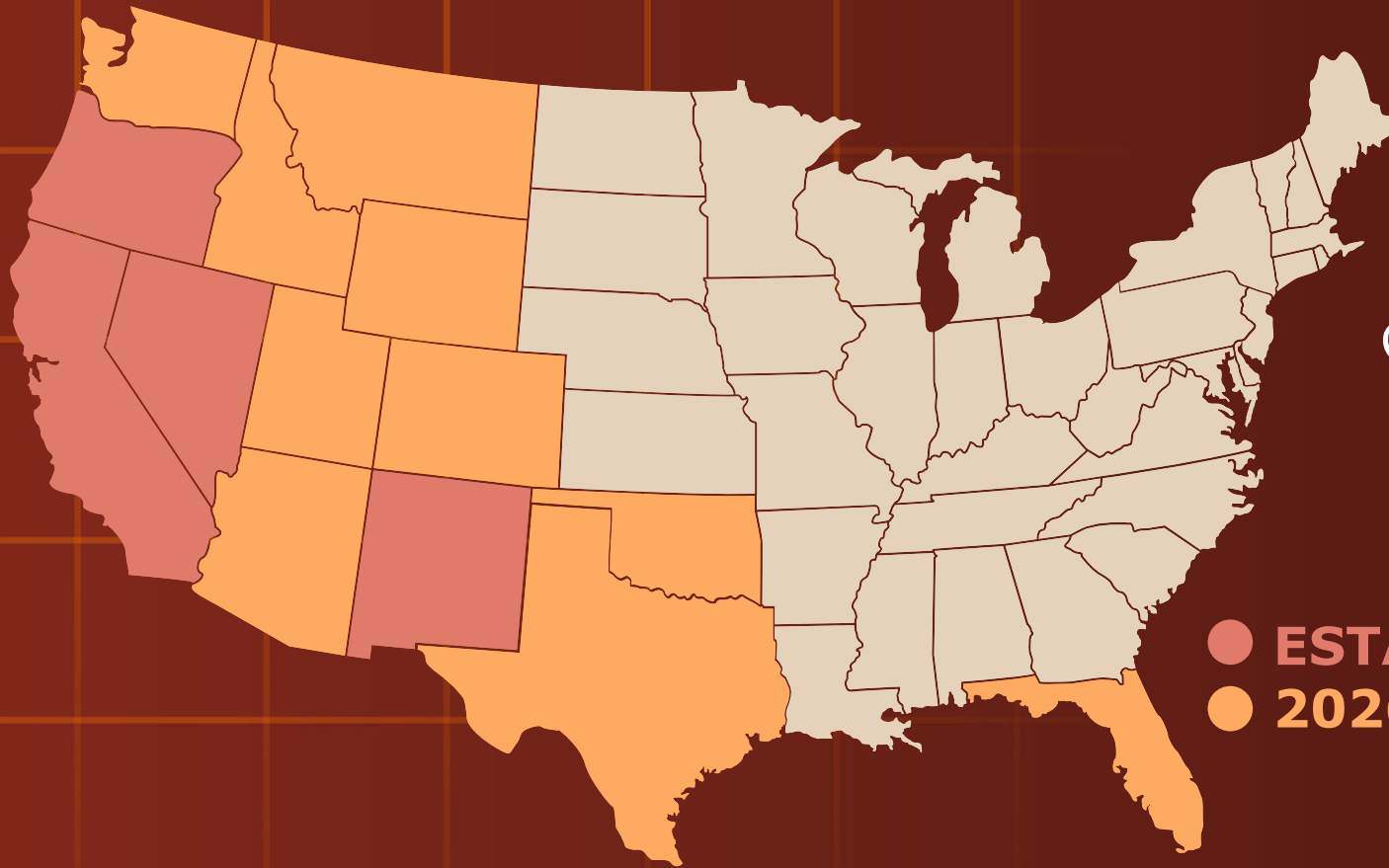
- ✓ Establish a **0–5 foot noncombustible zone** around the home and decks; remove overhanging branches; replace combustible fences within 5 feet.

5–30 FOOT DEFENSIBLE SPACE ZONE

- ✓ Maintain yard with spaced vegetation, structures, & other connective fuels; clear debris; remove firewood.
- ✓ Move structures at least 10 feet away & maintain a 0-5 foot noncombustible zone around them.

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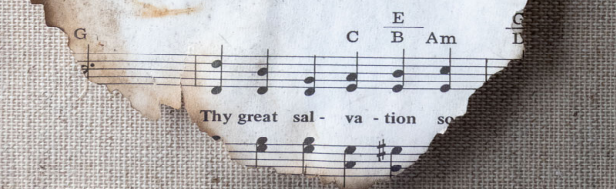
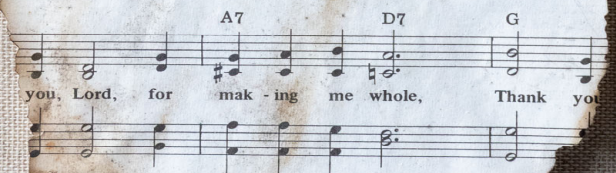
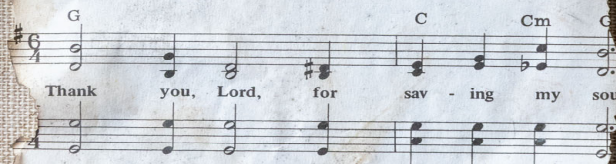
- **ESTABLISHED STATES**
- **2026 EXPANSION**

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THANK YOU, LORD
(FOR SAVING MY SOUL)

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