



El Dorado Hills Fire Department

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# El Dorado County Vegetation Management - Defensible Space Program in 2021 / 2022

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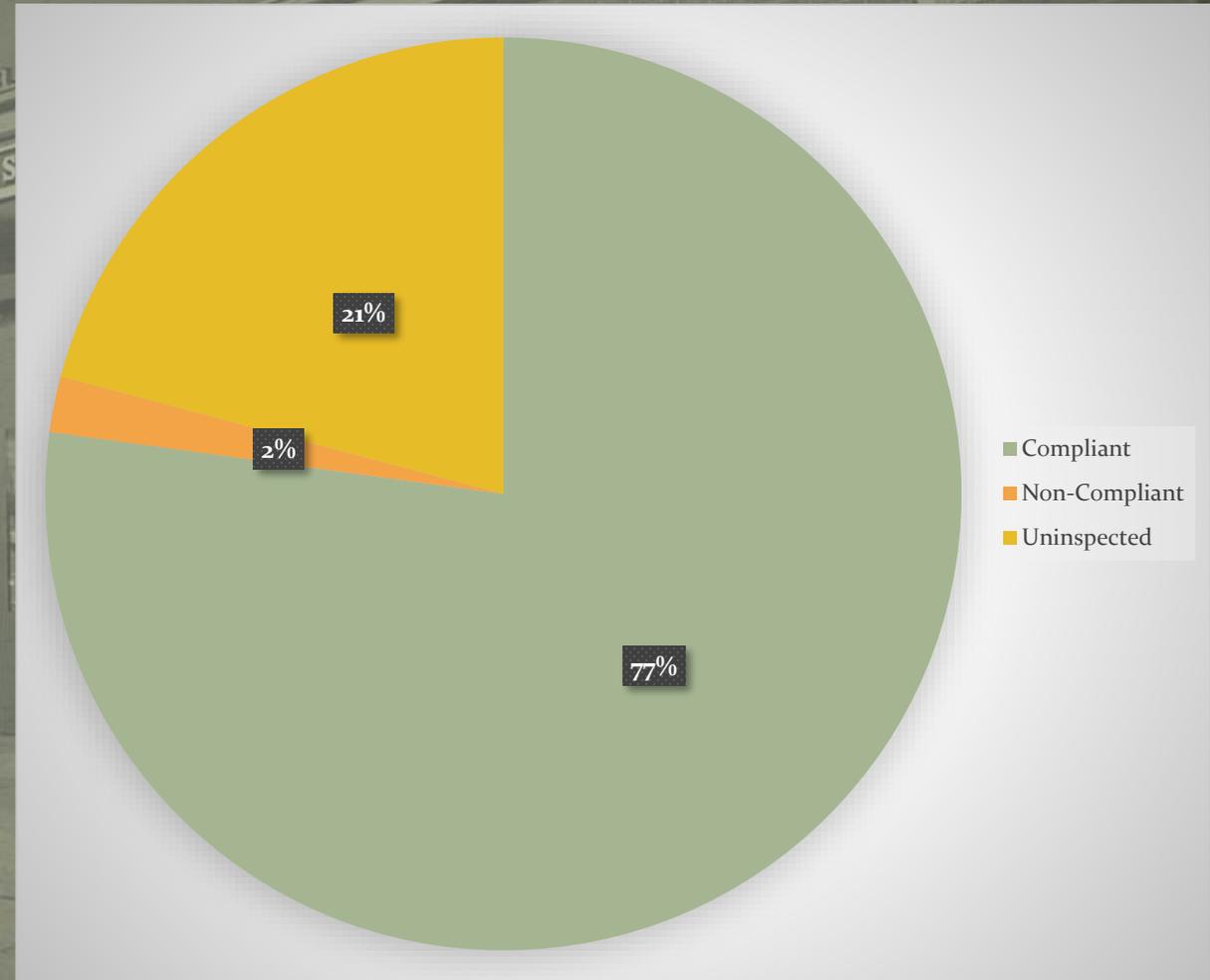
# Defensible Space Near Structures





# 2021 Rescue CEA Experience

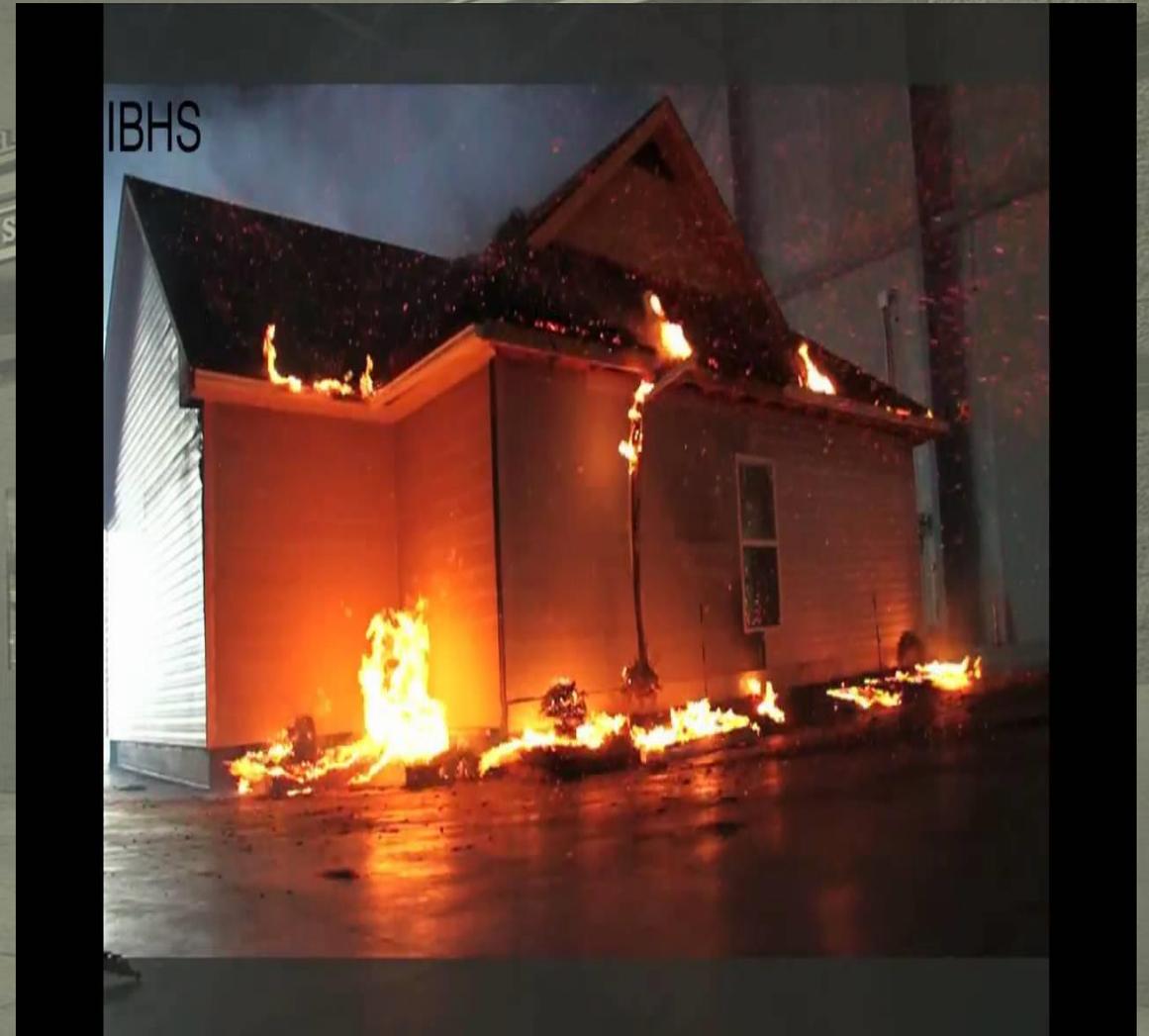
- Inspections by EDHFD occurred between July-December, 2021
- 254 parcels inspected in CEA for compliance with EDC Ordinance 5101 (Veg Mngt / Def Space)
- 428 total inspections performed
- 77% (192) determined to be in compliance.
- 23% (58) remain either uninspected or found non-compliant





## 2021 Rescue CEA Key Recommendations

- Defensible Space inspections should occur year round in EDC
- Consider improving the reporting system capabilities
- Increase community outreach and awareness in the CEA's prior to inspections
- Enforcement of the County Code on properties who refuse to cooperate needs to be improved.
- Most parcel owners are very cooperative but there have been a few instances of hostile persons





# 2022 Defensible Space Program

- Two community workshops
- Public notices/individual parcel notices for up to 500 parcels
- Inspect up to 150 EDC vegetation management complaints on West Slope
- CEA inspections in both Diamond Springs and Rescue
- Close coordination with EDC, CAL FIRE and Local Fire Districts





## QUESTIONS & COMMENTS?

