

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the State of California's proposed regulation changes to landscape management in Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones (VHFHSZ) and proposed recommendations to better tailor those regulations to allow for better integration of biodiversity and ecological health in fire mitigation planning.

Recommendation for Council action:

1. NOTE and FILE the report from the Community Forest Advisory Committee (CFAC) and the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) dated September 8, 2025 attached to Council file No. 10-2468-S2, inasmuch as the report is for informational purposes.
2. INSTRUCT LAFD to report with steps necessary to implement some or all of the recommendations contained in said report.
3. INSTRUCT the CFAC and LAFD to submit this report to the Board of Forestry.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the CAO nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Summary:

On September 17, 2025 your Public Safety Committee considered a report from the Community Forest Advisory Committee (CFAC) and the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) relative to the State of California's proposed regulation changes to landscape management in Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones (VHFHSZ) and proposed recommendations to better tailor those regulations to allow for better integration of biodiversity and ecological health in fire mitigation planning.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Public Safety Committee moved note and file the report and added an amendment to request an additional report, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
LEE	YES
PRICE	YES
McOSKER	YES
SOTO-MARTÍNEZ	YES
PARK	YES

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