

PROTECTION AREA RESPONSIBILITIES

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In "State Responsibility Areas" (SRA), sometimes called state and private lands, the state is responsible for wildland fire protection under California Public Resources Code Sections 4125 to 4127. Lands where wildland fire protection is provided by federal agencies shall be known as "Federal Responsibility Area (FRA)."

To provide a level of wildland fire protection for the intermingled lands "equivalent" to similar lands protected directly by the state or the federal agencies, the said intermingled and adjacent lands have been divided into practical "Direct Protection Areas" (DPAs) delineated by boundaries regardless of statutory responsibility, and this protection is assumed by administrative units of either the federal agencies or the state.

The federal agencies and the state have delineated the DPAs on maps filed in the offices of each agency. CDF Fire Protection Headquarters Section will be the repository for the master set of maps.

The state and the federal agencies desire to cooperate to the maximum extent possible to achieve objectives of common interest and concern. The concept of a functionally integrated fire protection system, involving federal, state and local government resources, is the most effective method of delivering fire protection where life, property and natural resource values are at risk.

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