



Appendix: Plan Alignment Summary

A Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) is designed to align with relevant federal, state, and local planning frameworks. This alignment ensures that CWPP recommendations are consistent with broader strategies, inter-operable with partner agencies, and eligible for state and federal funding. The following crosswalk highlights how the CWPP relates to each major plan or policy.

Purpose of Alignment

Aligned planning improves inter-agency coordination, supports consistent risk assessment and mitigation strategies, and strengthens eligibility for wildfire and hazard mitigation grants. It also ensures that CWPP goals and projects can be integrated into operating and planning frameworks used by the Alaska Division of Forestry & Fire Protection and other partner agencies.

Plan Alignment Crosswalk

Plan/ Policy Framework	Purpose & Relevance	Alignment Summary
State of Alaska Hazard Mitigation Plan (2023)	Establishes statewide hazard mitigation objectives and FEMA-qualified processes.	The CWPP supports SHMP's wildfire priorities through local risk assessment, mitigation strategy development, and consistency with statewide goals.
FEMA Local Mitigation Planning Policy Guide (2023) & 44 CFR Parts 201 & 206	Defines federal planning requirements and funding eligibility for hazard mitigation	The CWPP adheres to HFRA's core elements: collaborative planning, prioritized fuel treatments, and recommendations to reduce structural ignitability.
Healthy Forests Restoration Act (HFRA, 2003)	Authorizes CWPPs and encourages collaboration in hazardous fuels reduction.	The CWPP adheres to HFRA's core elements: collaborative planning, prioritized fuel treatments, and recommendations to reduce structural ignitability.
National Cohesive Wildland Fire	Guides national objectives for resilient landscapes, fire-adapted communities.	CWPP goals and project selection reflect the Cohesive Strategy's principles of adaptation.

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Management Strategy (2020)	Communities and effective response.	Boundary coordination, and community preparedness.
2020 Alaska Forest Action Plan	Frames Alaska's long-term forest health and wildfire resilience strategies	Supports community protection, fuel management, and cross-agency cooperation
Alaska Interagency Wildland Fire Management Plan (AIWFMP)	Establishes suppression priorities, operational protocols, and state/federal cooperative fire management	Consistent with approaches, supports proactive mitigation, coordinates with suppression strategies
Alaska Fire Danger Operating Plan (AIFDOP)	Provides definitions, thresholds, and decision logic for fire danger levels and management actions	References triggers and integrates terminology for operational consistency
Planning Areas Last CWPP - If applicable (YYYY)		

Footnotes & References

1. **2020 Alaska Forest Action Plan.** Alaska Division of Forestry. Available at: https://forestry.alaska.gov/Assets/pdfs/forestactionplan/FINAL2020AlaskaForest_ActionPlan.pdf
2. **Alaska Fire Danger Operating Plan (AIFDOP).** Alaska Inter-agency Fire and Fuel Management. Available at: https://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/FuelFire/Alaska%20Fire%20Danger%20Operatin_g%20Plan/Alaska_FDOP_FINAL_SIGNED.pdf

Other Referenced Documents & Sources:

- FEMA Local Mitigation Planning Policy Guide and 44 CFR Parts 201 & 206
- Healthy Forests Restoration Act (2003)
- National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy
- Alaska Interagency Wildland Fire Management Plan (AIWFMP)