

HR 460

To establish Institutes to conduct research on the prevention of, and restoration from, wildfires in forest and woodland ecosystems of the interior West.

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Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Committee Activity

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Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 108 HR 2696 | Related bill | Oct 5, 2004: Became Public Law No: 108-317. |

Wildfire Prevention Act of 2003 - Directs the Secretary of Agriculture, through the Chief of the Forest Service, to: (1) establish three Institutes (one each in Arizona at Northern Arizona University, New Mexico, and Colorado) to promote the use of adaptive ecosystem management to reduce the risk of wildfires, and improve the health of forest and woodland ecosystems in Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Nevada, New Mexico, and Utah; and (2) assist the Institutes to promote such management.

Defines adaptive ecosystem management as a natural resource management process under which planning, implementation, monitoring, research, evaluation, and incorporation of new knowledge are combined into a management approach that is: (1) based on scientific findings and the needs of society; and (2) used to modify future management methods and policy.

Prescribes requirements for cooperation among the Institutes and Federal programs relating to ecological restoration, wildfire risk reduction, and wildfire management technologies.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 13, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.
- **Feb 12, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Recreation and Public Lands.
- **Feb 12, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health.
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