The following table provides information on each policy and action within the Safety Element's Wildfire Section. Policies and actions are grouped by category into Policy Groups. There is also information on the policy and action origin, whether it was derived from an existing policy or measure in the current adopted Safety Element, seeks to address the recommendations in the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection's (BOF) Safety Element Assessment, or comes from the General Plan Fire Hazard Technical Advisory, authored by the Governor's Office of Planning and Research. Finally, the table also states whether the policy or action describes an existing standard or practice or is a new one and provides additional notes, as applicable.

Policy Group	New Policy	Policy Name and Text	Policy Origin,	Notes e.g. Is Policy
	or Action		from Existing Safety	or Action New or
	Number		Element, BOF Safety	an Ongoing
			Element Assessment	Practice?
			Recommendation, or	
			OPR's Wildfire TA ¹	
Avoidance &	Policy FIRE-	Fire Prevention Programs	Existing	Ongoing Practice
Minimization of	1.0	Continue to pursue and promote County fire	Addresses GC 65302(g)	
Wildfire		prevention programs and control measures.	Section 3.B.:	
Hazards			A set of goals, policies, and	
			objectives for the protection	
			of the community from	
			unreasonable risk of	
			wildfire	
Avoidance &	Action FIRE -	Maintain and Enforce Fire Prevention	Existing	Ongoing Practice
Minimization of	1.0.1	Programs and Plans		
Wildfire		Continue to pursue and promote the following		
Hazards		fire prevention programs:		

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¹ Existing = Policies and Actions that are part of the current adopted Safety Element, BOF = Policies or actions that meet recommendations provided by the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (BOF) in the Safety Element Assessment, and OPR = Policies or Actions pulled from the Governor's Office of Planning and Research's (OPR) General Plan Fire Hazard Technical Advisory.

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		 Regular inspection and code enforcement by County Fire Department. Fire Code Operational Permit Program Santa Barbara County Ready-Set-Go Program Living with Fire Homeowners Guide County Fire Development Standards County Code and ordinance development County Fire Hazardous materials process and inspection County Fire investigation and data analysis Public education and information Santa Barbara County Unit Strategic Fire Plan Vegetation Management Program Defensible Space Inspection Program County Fire Department Red Flag Warning Plan 		
Avoidance & Minimization of Wildfire Hazards	Policy FIRE - 1.1	Subdivisions in the VHFHSZ: Subdivisions in the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone shall provide secondary access where feasible or substantial mitigations and/or management plans are required that offset the known risks, a Wildfire Protection Plan is	BOF Recommendation- Are there goals and policies to avoid or minimize new residential development in Very High Fire Hazard	New Practice

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		prepared and approved, and a setback from wildland vegetation determined by the Fire Department, is established as part of the subdivision and is implemented prior to development.	Severity Zones (VHFHSZs)?	
Avoidance & Minimization of Wildfire Hazards	Policy FIRE - 1.2	Minimize Risks in Hazard Zones: The County will consider risks from hazards when reviewing plans for development and occupancies in High or Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones and take action to minimize risks to occupants to the greatest extent feasible.	BOF Recommendation- Are there goals and policies to avoid or minimize new residential development in Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones (VHFHSZs)? Addresses GC 65302(g) Section 3.C.i. avoiding or minimizing wildfire hazards associated with new uses of land	Ongoing Practice; This policy is not required to meet the BOF recommendation (as it is met by Policy 1.1), but requires minimizing risks to occupants to the greatest extent feasible in the High and VHFHSZ.
Avoidance & Minimization of Wildfire Hazards	Policy FIRE - 1.3	Open Space Facilities: The County shall manage County-owned urban open space facilities to reduce wildfire hazards and associated risks consistent with State and County wildfire regulations and standards.	OPR	Ongoing
Avoidance & Minimization of	Policy FIRE - 1.4	Existing Development Risk Mitigation The County should work with property owners of existing developments that do not conform	BOF Recommendation- Develop a policy identifying the mitigation of existing	Ongoing Practice

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Wildfire Hazards		to contemporary fire safe standards to improve or mitigate access, water supply and fire flow, signing, and vegetation clearance to meet current State and/or locally adopted fire safety standards.	non-conforming development to contemporary fire safe standards, in terms of road standards and vegetative hazard.	
Avoidance & Minimization of Wildfire Hazards	Policy FIRE- 1.5	Subdivision Access Subdivision projects shall site access roads between new homes and wildland areas, to the greatest extent feasible, while also minimizing disturbance to sensitive environmental resources, in order to maximize defensible space, access for fire suppression, egress for affected residents, and to reduce wildfire risk to new homes and structures.	OPR, Recommendation by County Fire	New Practice
State Mapping and Areas subject to Wildfire Standards (e.g. Building)	Policy FIRE - 2.0	Fire Hazard Severity Zones & Areas subject to Building Standards for New Development: The County shall use California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection-Fire Hazard Severity Zones to determine areas that will require appropriate construction materials for new buildings in State Responsibility Areas and Local Responsibility Areas, local agency Very-High Fire Hazard Severity Zones, and designated Wildland-Urban Interface areas	Existing	Ongoing Practice

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		pursuant to the California Code of Regulations Title 24, Part 2, California Building Code.		
State Mapping and Areas subject to Wildfire Standards (e.g. Building)	Policy FIRE - 2.1	State Map Collaboration and Adoption: The County should continue to collaborate with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection in the revision of Fire Hazard Severity Zone Maps and shall adopt the official areas of Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones in the Local and State Responsibility Areas.	Existing	Ongoing Practice
Vegetation Management and Defensible Space	Policy FIRE – 3.0	Defensible Space: The County shall continue to require consistency with County Fire Department Development Standards that ensure adequate defensible space clearance around all structures in compliance with the California Fire Code, Public Resource Code §4291, and Government Code §51175-51188.	Existing BOF Recommendation- Is fuel modification around homes and subdivisions required for new development in SRAs or VHFHSZs?	Ongoing Practice; Existing policy meets BOF recommendation
Vegetation Management and Defensible Space	Policy FIRE - 3.1	Fuel Modification and Defensible Space New development shall meet or exceed the State Fire Safe Regulations through application of the Fire Code and wildfire development standards pertaining to fuel modification and defensible space.	BOF Recommendation- Develop a policy to address fuel modification and defensible space in the layout of subdivisions and developments	Ongoing Practice

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Vegetation Management and Defensible Space	Policy FIRE - 3.2	Wildfire Protection Plans: A Wildfire Protection Plan is required for all new large developments in the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (VHFHSZ), including: subdivisions, mixed-use development, commercial cannabis activities, multi-family housing, businesses open to the public, and large assembly uses and/or events. Such uses may require a Wildfire Protection Plan in the High FHSZ, at the discretion of the Fire Marshal.	BOF Recommendation- Consider developing a policy requiring fire protection plans for new development in VHFHSZs Fire Protection Plan Authority comes from County Fire Code Chapter 15 & State Public Resources Code 4291	Ongoing and New Practice (codifying current standard practice); County Fire requires Fire Protection Plans for projects and events requiring vegetation management and fuel reduction activities conducted by the subsequent HOAs
Vegetation Management & Defensible Space	Policy FIRE - 3.3	Maintenance of Wildfire Protection Plans: When a Wildfire Protection Plan is required, it shall include measures for modifying fuel loading, a maintenance plan to ensure measures are maintained, and a site plan with locations of any roads or existing structures that may act as a fuel barrier in a configuration that will maximize their benefit as a fuel barrier/fire break to the proposed development.	OPR	New Practice; Modifications were made to this policy language to tailor it to Santa Barbara County
Vegetation Management	Policy FIRE - 3.4	Long Term Maintenance of Hazard Reduction Projects:	BOF Recommendation- Develop a plan addressing long term maintenance of	Ongoing Practice

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and Defensible Space		Santa Barbara County Fire Department shall continue to implement the Vegetation Management Program through implementation of its Unit Strategic Fire Plan and maintained in CalMapper, providing long-term maintenance of fire hazard reduction projects to mitigate risks to existing development and communities.	fire hazard reduction projects, including community fire breaks and private road and public road clearance.	
Vegetation Management and Defensible Space	Policy FIRE - 3.5	Community Wildfire Protection Plans: Communities within Santa Barbara County are encouraged to prepare Community Wildfire Protection Plans to identify and prioritize areas for hazardous fuel reduction treatments, describe methods to reduce structure ignitability, and methods of fuel treatment that protect essential infrastructure.	BOF Recommendation- Develop a policy requiring long term maintenance of fire reduction projects; including a roadside fuel reduction plan, defensible space clearances (including fuel beaks) around structures, subdivision, and other development in the VHFSZ	Ongoing Practice
Vegetation Management & Defensible Space	Policy FIRE - 3.6	Fire Development Standards: To reduce the potential for fire damage, the County shall continue to require consistency with County Fire Department Development Standards pursuant to the California Fire Code, Public Resource Code §4291, and Government Code §51175-51188, as may be amended.	Existing	Ongoing Practice

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Vegetation Management & Defensible Space	Action FIRE - 3.6.1	Fire Development Standards Continue to maintain and enforce County, Carpinteria Summerland Fire Protection District, and Montecito Fire Protection District Development Standards required to protect the community from unreasonable risk associated with urban and wildland fires pursuant to Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations, Part 9 California Fire Code, as may be amended.	Existing	Ongoing Practice
Interagency Partnerships, Planning, and Coordination	Policy FIRE - 4.0	Interagency Partnerships: The County shall strive to maintain partnerships with tribal governments, state, local, and federal agencies to identify, prioritize, and implement fire prevention and protection measures in the County.	Existing Addresses GC 65302(g) Section 3.C.iv. work cooperatively with public agencies with responsibility for fire protection	Ongoing Practice
Interagency Partnerships, Planning, and Coordination	Policy FIRE - 4.1	Interagency Emergency Planning & Coordination: The County Office of Emergency Management (OEM) shall continue coordinating emergency planning for the Santa Barbara Operational Area pursuant to the California Emergency Services Act of 1970.	Existing	Ongoing Practice
Interagency Partnerships,	Action FIRE - 4.1.1	County Defense and Disaster Code	Existing	Ongoing Practice

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Planning, and		Continue enforcement of County Code Chapter	2 2 2 2 2	
Coordination		12-Civil Defense and Disaster, as may be		
		amended, which provides direction to the		
		County Office of Emergency Management		
		including preparation and implementation of		
		plans for the protection of persons and		
		property in the event of an emergency and		
		coordination of the County's emergency		
		functions with all other public agencies,		
		corporations, organizations and affected		
		private persons.		
Interagency	Policy FIRE -	Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation	Existing	Ongoing Practice
Partnerships,	4.2	Plan Consistency:	Addresses GC 65302.6	
Planning, and		The County's Safety Element should continue	A city and/or a county may	
Coordination		to reference the Santa Barbara County Multi-	adopt with its safety	
		Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan in order to	element a local hazard	
		consider measures to reduce potential harm	mitigation plan specified in	
		from fire-related activity to property and lives.	the federal Disaster	
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Interagency	Policy FIRE -	Mutual Aid Plan:	BOF Recommendation-	Ongoing Practice
Planning and	4.3	The County's fire districts will update and	Develop a plan that outlines	
Planning, and Coordination		implement the Santa Barbara County Mutual	inter-agency preparedness coordination and mutual aid	
Coordination		Aid Plan each year to establish a plan for interagency preparedness, coordination,	multi-agency agreements	
		automatic aid, and mutual aid.	muni-agency agreements	
State Fire Code	Policy FIRE -	New Development Compliance with Fire	BOF Recommendation-	Ongoing Practice;
and Fire Safe	5.0	Safe Regulations:	BOT Recommendation-	Ongoing Hactice,
and The Sale	J.0	Saic Acgulations.		

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Regulation Compliance		New development in the State Responsibility Areas and Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone shall meet or exceed State Fire Safe Regulations, as may be amended, relating to roads, water, signing and fuel modification; and Fire Hazard Reduction Around Buildings and Structures Regulations relating to fuel modification (Title 14, California Code of Regulations 1299.01-1299.05), as may be amended.	New development in the SRA and VHFHSZ shall meet or exceed State Fire Safe Regulations (Title 14, CCR, Section 1270-1276.04) relating to roads, water, signing and fuel modification; and Fire Hazard Reduction Around Buildings and Structures Regulations (Title 14, CCR, Section 1299.01-1299.05) relating to fuel modification, as may be amended.	Fire Hazard Reduction Around Buildings and Structures Regulations (Title 14, CCR, Section 1299.01-1299.05) are not the same requirements as those in PRC 4291; however, both are applied and met as standard practice by County fire districts.
State Fire Code and Fire Safe Regulation Compliance	Policy FIRE - 5.1	Fire and Building Code Compliance: New development within the State Responsibility Area, Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones, and County High Fire Hazard Area will meet or exceed State standards set forth in the County Fire Code and County Building Code, Chapter 7A Materials and Construction Methods for Exterior Wildfire Exposure, as may be amended.	BOF Recommendation- Develop fire safe development codes to use as standards for fire protection for new development in SRAs or VHFHSZs that meet or exceed the statewide minimums in the SRA Fire Safe Regulations	Ongoing Practice
State Fire Code and Fire Safe	Action FIRE - 5.1.1	Enforce County Fire Code Continue to maintain and enforce County Code Chapter 15 "Fire Prevention", which includes	Existing	Ongoing Practice

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Regulation		adoption of the California Fire Code, fire		
Compliance		Development Standards, standards for weed abatement, fire protection mitigation fees, Carpinteria-Summerland Fire Protection District fire protection mitigation fee ordinance, Orcutt Fire Protection District fire protection mitigation fees, Goleta Fire Protection District fire protection mitigation fees, automatic fire sprinkler systems, fees, violations, Fire Department administration of hazardous materials/wastes laws, and fireworks.		
State Fire Code	Policy FIRE -	Non-Conforming Roads and Development:	BOF Recommendation-	Ongoing Practice
and Fire Safe Regulation Compliance	5.2	The County will continue to evaluate non-conforming development and apply contemporary road standards consistent with the State Fire Safe Regulations through the development review process.	Develop a policy identifying the mitigation of existing non-conforming development to contemporary fire safe standards, in terms of road standards and vegetative hazard.	
State Fire Code	Policy FIRE -	Hydrant Spacing, Water Flow, and Stored	BOF Recommendation-	Ongoing Practice
and Fire Safe	5.3	Water:	Does the plan identify a	
Regulation Compliance		All new development shall meet requirements identified in the State Fire Safe Regulations, National Fire Protection Association Standard 1142 on water supplies for suburban and rural	policy for future water supply for fire suppression needs?	

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		firefighting, State Fire Code, and local Fire District Development Standards for hydrant spacing, water flow rates for fire suppression, and stored water for water and fire protection systems.	Government Code 65302(g) Section 3.C.iii.: Design adequate infrastructure if a new development is located in a SRA or in a VHFHSZ, including safe access for emergency response vehicles, visible street signs, and water supplies for structural fire suppression	
State Fire Code and Fire Safe Regulation Compliance	Policy FIRE - 5.4	Addressing, Signage, Access, and Roadside Vegetation Clearance: New development in the State Responsibility Area and Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone will meet or exceed the requirements in the State Fire Code and Fire Safe Regulations, which include visible home and street addressing and signage, evacuation and emergency vehicle access, and vegetation clearance maintenance on public and private roads that ensure adequate evacuation and emergency vehicle access.	BOF Recommendation- Does the plan identify adequate infrastructure for new development related to Evacuation and emergency vehicle access? Government Code 65302(g) Section 3.C.iii.: Design adequate infrastructure if a new development is located in a SRA or VHFHSZ, including safe access for emergency response vehicles, visible street signs, and water	Ongoing Practice

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			suppression	
Facilities and Emergency Services Coverage	Policy FIRE - 6.0	New Essential Public Facilities: Prohibit the siting of new essential public facilities (including, but not limited to, hospitals and health care facilities, emergency shelters, emergency command centers, and emergency communications facilities) in the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone in the Local and State Responsibility Areas, unless all feasible risk reduction measures have been incorporated into project designs or conditions of approval.	BOF Recommendation- Develop a policy requiring the locations of all new essential public facilities outside of the VHFSZs when feasible. Government Code 65302(g) Section 3.C.ii.: Locate new essential public facilities outside of high fire risk areas or identify construction methods or other methods to minimize damage if these facilities are located in a SRA or VHFHSZ	New Practice
Facilities and Emergency Services Coverage	Policy FIRE - 6.1	Standard of Coverage Study Updates: The County's fire districts shall continue to review and update Standard of Coverage studies provided for existing and planned new development to ensure there are adequate fire protection services, such as fire stations, equipment, and coverage during emergencies.	BOF Recommendation- Does new development have adequate fire protection? This policy should also speak to the adequate fire protection in terms of stations, equipment and coverage for emergencies.	Ongoing Practice

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Facilities and Emergency Service Coverage	Policy FIRE - 6.2	Future Emergency Service Needs The County's fire districts shall periodically prepare or update a Standard of Cover Study to assess future emergency service needs and identify additional resources and services necessary to provide satisfactory emergency response services to meet future needs.	BOF Recommendation- Develop a policy that will include an assessment and projection of future emergency service needs.	New Practice
Facilities and Emergency Service Coverage	Action FIRE - 6.2.1	Mapping of Emergency Service Facilities The Safety Element will be updated with the latest map and information on the location, adequacy, and coverage provided by emergency service facilities and areas lacking these services in the State Responsibility Area and the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone.	BOF Recommendation- Is there a map or description of existing emergency service facilities and areas lacking service, specifically noting any areas in SRAs or VHFHSZs?	New Action; New Map is included on page 243 titled "Santa Barbara County FD, CA Scenario 1 Map Rural Engine Travel 12, 15, & 20 Minutes"
Facilities and Emergency Service Coverage	Policy FIRE - 6.3	Emergency Service Staff Training The County's fire districts will continue to train and certify their staff using the California Incident Command Certification System or by the requirements and guidelines set by the State Fire Marshal for training emergency service staff.	BOF Recommendation- Are goals or standards for emergency services training described?	Ongoing Practice
Public Outreach and Disaster Preparedness,	Policy FIRE - 7.0	Emergency Resources and Vulnerable Communities	OPR	Ongoing Practice

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Response, and		The County shall ensure completeness and		
Recovery		availability of identified emergency supplies		
		and resources to all segments of the		
		population, focusing especially on vulnerable		
		and disadvantaged communities, including but		
		not limited to temporary shelter or housing,		
		and items such as medical supplies and		
		services, water main repair parts, generators,		
		pumps, sandbags, road clearing, and		
Public Outreach	Dalias EIDE	communication facilities.	ODD	On sain a Drastica
and Disaster	Policy FIRE - 7.1	Disaster Response and Recovery Preparedness	OPR	Ongoing Practice
Preparedness,	7.1	The County shall maintain and improve		
Response, and		disaster response and recovery capabilities and		
Recovery		shall meet the emergency needs of all members		
receivery		of the community, especially the most		
		vulnerable and disadvantaged.		
Public Outreach	Action FIRE -	Fire-Related Health and Prevention Needs	OPR	Ongoing Practice
and Disaster	7.1.1	The County shall partner with existing public		
Preparedness,		health community outreach and engagement		
Response, and		efforts to address fire-related health and		
Recovery		prevention needs.		
Public Outreach	Action FIRE -	Disaster Recovery Plans	OPR	Ongoing Practice
and Disaster	7.1.2	The County shall develop, or continue to		
Preparedness,		update and refine, disaster recovery plans to		
		define roles and responsibilities and		

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Response, and Recovery		procedures for recovery after wildfire and related disasters.		
Public Outreach and Disaster Preparedness, Response, and Recovery	Action FIRE - 7.1.3	Post-Fire Short-Term Housing County Planning & Development, Housing and Community Development, and Public Health Departments shall coordinate with other local, regional or state agencies and community-based organizations, as needed, to develop contingency plans for meeting short- term, temporary housing needs of those displaced during a catastrophic wildfire event.	OPR	Ongoing Practice
Public Outreach & Disaster Preparedness, Response, and Recovery	Policy FIRE - 7.2	Post-Fire Reconstruction Post-wildfire reconstruction shall conform to the latest applicable Fire and Building Code standards.	BOF Recommendation- Develop a policy stating that all re-development in the VHFSZs will comply with the current code.	Ongoing Practice
Public Outreach & Disaster Preparedness, Response, and Recovery	Action FIRE - 7.2.1	Develop Wildfire Like-for-Like Ordinance The County shall develop an ordinance to allow a post-wildfire rebuild with the same use and floor area that may be re-built in a location with less wildfire risk without the need for a discretionary entitlement as long as the structure otherwise complies with other zoning and environmental regulations and does not significantly affect environmental resources.	BOF Recommendation- Develop a policy to evaluate re-development after a large fire.	New Action

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Public Outreach & Disaster Preparedness, Response, and Recovery	Policy FIRE - 7.3	Outreach to At-Risk Populations The County shall continue to promote outreach programs that educate at-risk populations and the wider community on defensible space, evacuation routes, and other information aimed at mitigating wildfire hazards.	BOF Recommendation- Are there policies or programs promoting public outreach about defensible space or evacuation routes? Are there specific plans to reach at-risk populations?	Ongoing Practice; In addition to the new policy, the Safety Element has been updated with a description of all the existing public outreach programs to support this policy.
Public Outreach & Disaster Preparedness, Response, and Recovery	Action FIRE - 7.3.1	Defensible Space Outreach The County's fire districts will continue to promote their Defensible Space Programs and work with organizations, such as the Santa Barbara County Fire Safe Council, to plan and implement community wildfire education and hazard abatement programs.	BOF Recommendation- Are there policies or programs promoting public outreach about defensible space or evacuation routes?	Ongoing Practice
Public Outreach & Disaster Preparedness, Response, and Recovery	Action FIRE - 7.3.2	Evacuation The County emergency response agencies will promote preparedness by making evacuation information available to the community through web-based education materials, participation in public outreach opportunities, and other programs that will increase individual preparedness and encourage public	BOF Recommendation- Are there policies or programs promoting public outreach about defensible space or evacuation routes?	Ongoing Practice

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		registration in local alert and warning programs.		
Public Outreach & Disaster Preparedness, Response, and Recovery	Action FIRE - 7.3.3	Populations with Disabilities Access and Functional Needs The County will continue to promote its programs and resources aimed at ensuring Disabled and Access and Functional Needs populations can plan for emergencies with respect to evacuation and powering medical devices.	BOF Recommendation- Are there policies or programs promoting public outreach about defensible space or evacuation routes? Are there specific plans to reach at-risk populations?	Ongoing Practice
Access and Evacuation	Policy FIRE - 8.0	Residential Subdivision Access Standards in the VHFHSZ The County shall require new residential subdivisions in the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone to provide not less than two means of access for emergency vehicles and resident evacuation. A deviation from this policy is only allowed if substantial mitigations and management plans are put in place to offset the known risks, and when the Fire Chief approves the proposed deviation mitigation and management plans.	BOF Recommendation- Develop a policy that will define minimum standards for evacuation of residential areas in VHFHSZs.	Ongoing Practice
Access and Evacuation	Policy FIRE - 8.1	Access Requirements in the VHFHSZ All new development in the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone VHFHSZ will comply	BOF Recommendation- Develop a policy that will prioritize adequate access	Ongoing Practice

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		with ingress/egress requirements found in applicable wildfire Development Standards, Fire Code, and the State Fire Safe Regulations.	(ingress, egress) to new development in VHFHSZs.	
Access and Evacuation	Action FIRE - 8.1.1	Evacuation Route Assessment The County shall develop evacuation routes and assess their capacity, safety, and viability in Hazard Areas. The County will survey areas at increased risk and develop recommendations to reduce risks and improve evacuation safety.	BOF Recommendation- Develop a policy to survey the area to identify inadequate access/evacuation routes and identify mitigation measures or improvement plans	Ongoing Practice; Current Evacuation Modeling and Planning Project addressing this Action.
Ensuring Adequate Infrastructure	Policy FIRE - 9.0	Adequate Water Infrastructure for Fire Suppression All new development shall maintain adequate water infrastructure that ensures water supply and flow rates are adequate for fire suppression.	BOF Recommendation- Does the plan have a policy to identify adequate infrastructure for new development related to Water supply and fire flow? Government Code 65302(g) Section 3.C.iii.: Design adequate infrastructure if a new development is located in a SRA or VHFHSZ, including safe access for emergency response vehicles, visible street signs, and water	Ongoing Practice

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			supplies for structural fire suppression	
Ensuring Adequate Infrastructure	Policy FIRE - 9.1	Infrastructure for Long-Term Water Supply New development, including that which is not supplied by a water purveyor, shall have adequate infrastructure flow rate, and storage onsite that supports long-term water supply.	BOF Recommendation- Develop a policy that states how (or who) the maintenance and long-term integrity of water supplies will be provided.	Ongoing Practice
Enduring Adequate Infrastructure	Policy FIRE – 9.2	Coordination with Water Purveyors The County will coordinate with water purveyors to encourage water supply infrastructure upgrades to maintain an adequate, long-term water supply for fire suppression needs for the community.	BOF Recommendation- Develop a policy that states how (or who) the maintenance and long-term integrity of water supplies will be provided.	Ongoing Practice; Added per CAL FIRE request during draft Safety Element review on 2/13/23