

1D

Community Cluster.....1

Landscape Class.....D

Description

These counties of the northern and central Great Plains are distinguished by their rural, agricultural economies, low human populations, low area burned and few ignitions. While the short grass prairie that dominated much of this region burned frequently in prior centuries due in large part to human ignitions, wildfire is now relatively uncommon, and prescribed fire is limited to local managed areas.

Example of a Typical County

McPherson County, South Dakota: This north-central South Dakota county is highly rural and includes the town of Eureka.

Challenges and Opportunities

Vegetation and Fuels

Some of these counties have a history of prescribed fire and could expand or maintain use of this fuel management option.

Homes, Communities and Values at Risk

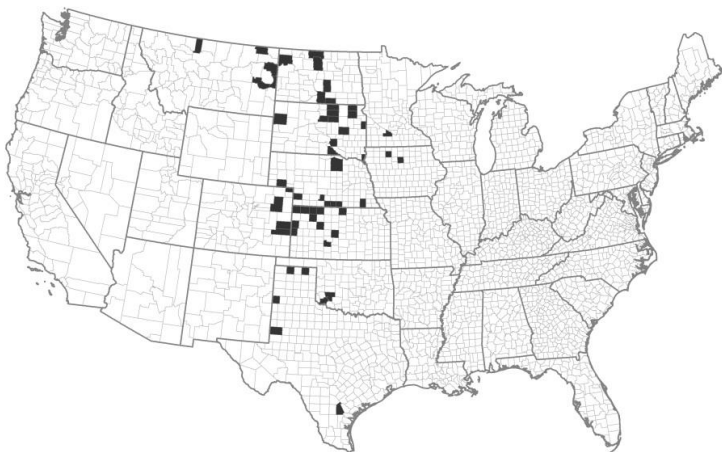
Local discretion should be used to determine the importance of home and community actions.

Human-Caused Ignitions

Human caused ignitions are not as great here as in other parts of the country, but may deserve attention if a local situation dictates.

Effective and Efficient Wildfire Response

Response organizations continue to protect structures, treat fuels and target ignitions as local conditions apply.



National Priorities

Vegetation and Fuels	Very Low
Homes, Communities and Values at Risk	Very Low
Human-Caused Ignitions	Very Low

Effective and Efficient Response: There is low risk of large wildfires.

1D County Names

Colorado

Cheyenne
Kiowa
Sedgwick
Washington

Iowa

Palo Alto
Wright

Kansas

Barton
Cheyenne
Decatur
Edwards
Greeley
Jewell
Norton
Rawlins
Sheridan
Trego
Wallace

Minnesota

Brown

Montana

Daniels
Liberty
Prairie
Richland
Wibaux

Nebraska

Chase
Cheyenne
Franklin
Gage
Gosper
Harlan
Holt
Webster

North Dakota

Bottineau
Emmons
Kidder
McHenry
McIntosh
Williams

Oklahoma

Jackson
Kiowa

South Dakota

Beadle
Brule
Butte
Day
Deuel
Edmunds
Faulk
Gregory
Marshall
McPherson
Potter
Union

Texas

Gaines
Live Oak
Ochiltree
Parmer
Sherman