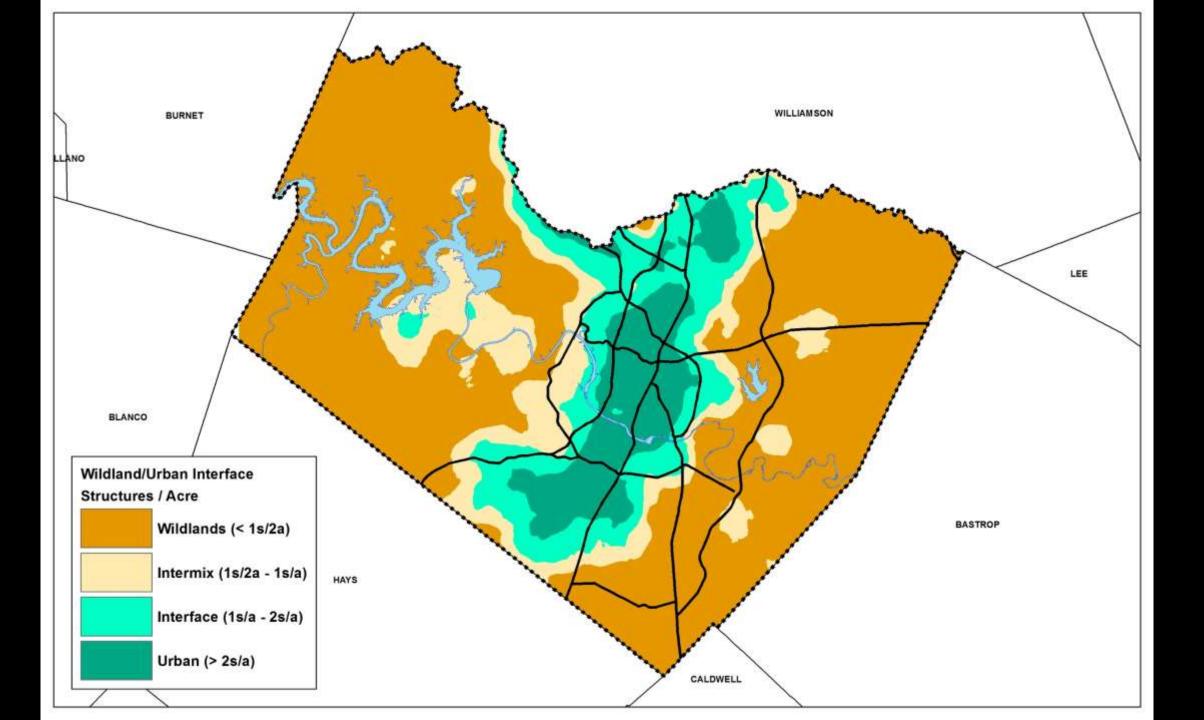


# What and Where is the WUI?

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- **→**-WUI
  - -Risk
  - -Work Done

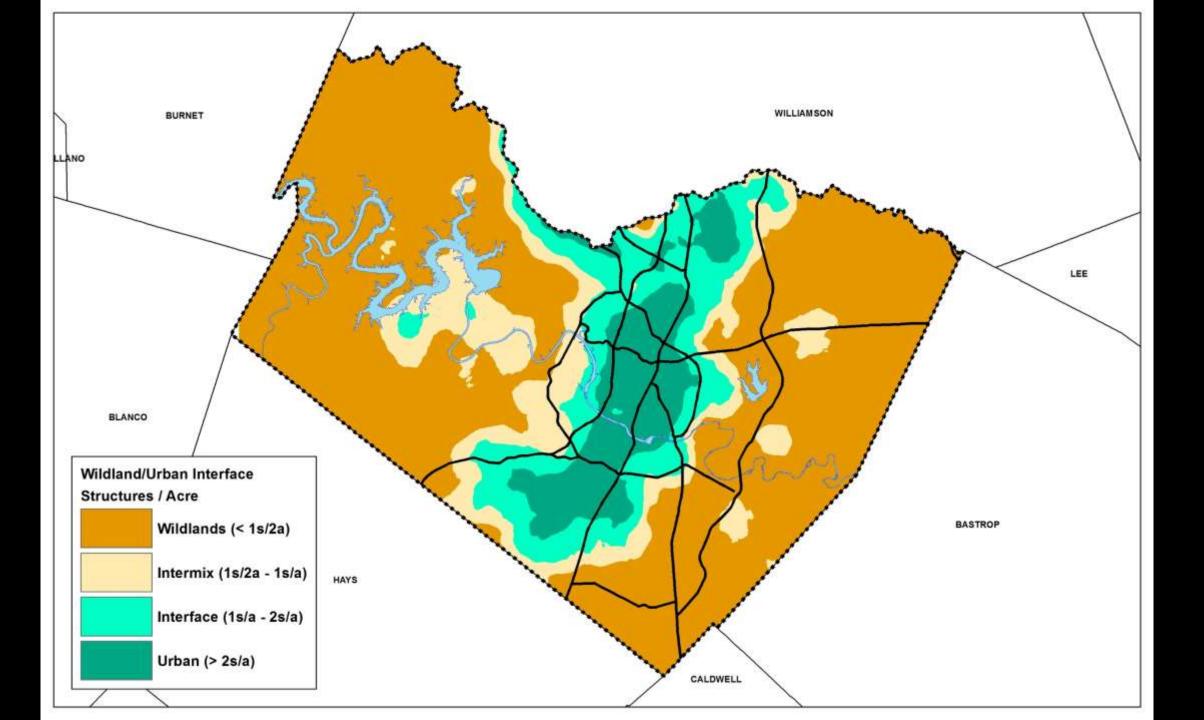






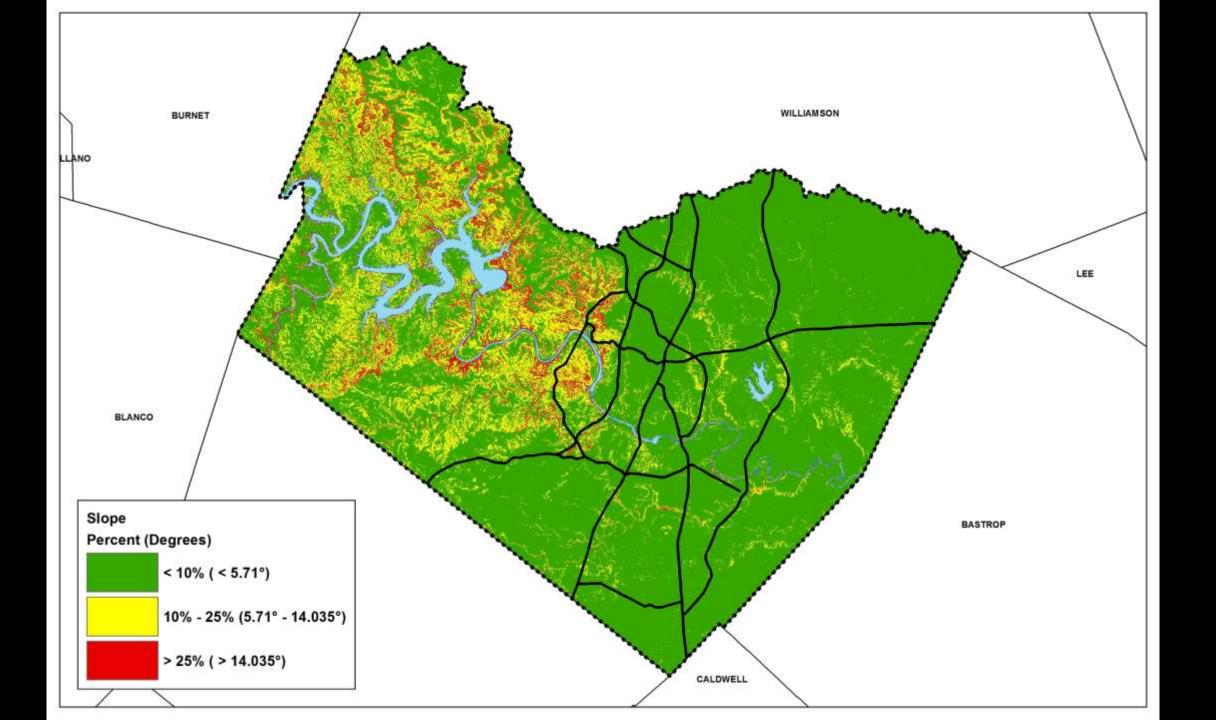


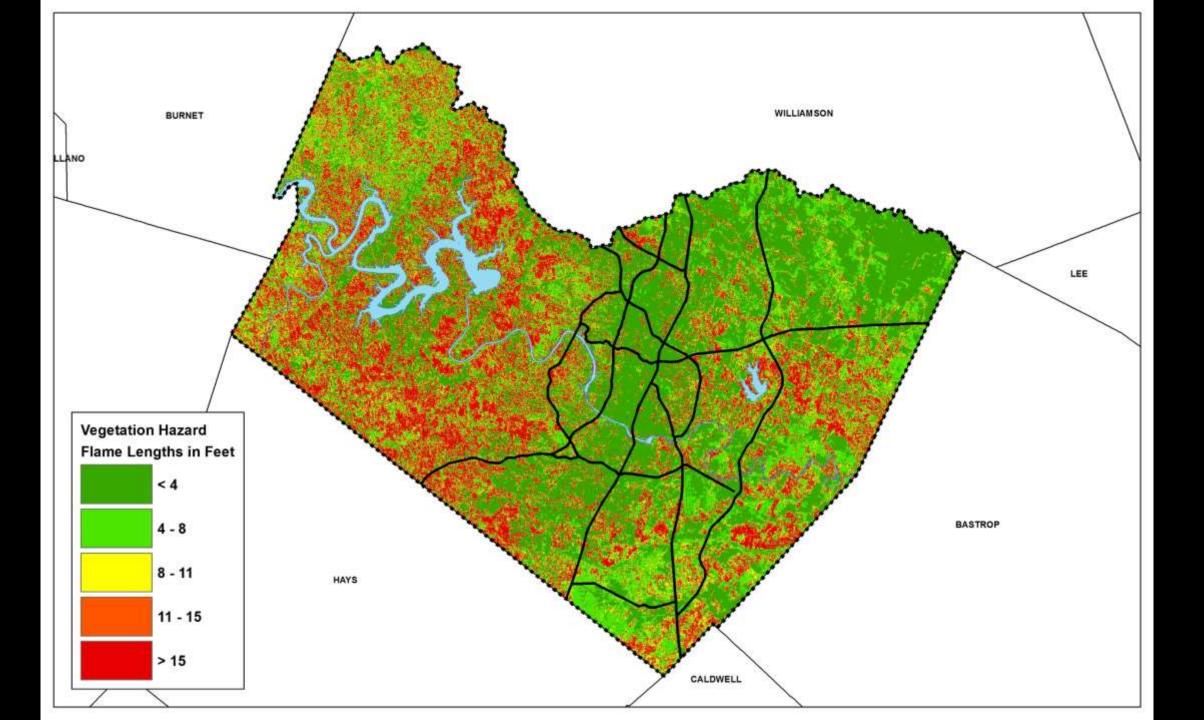


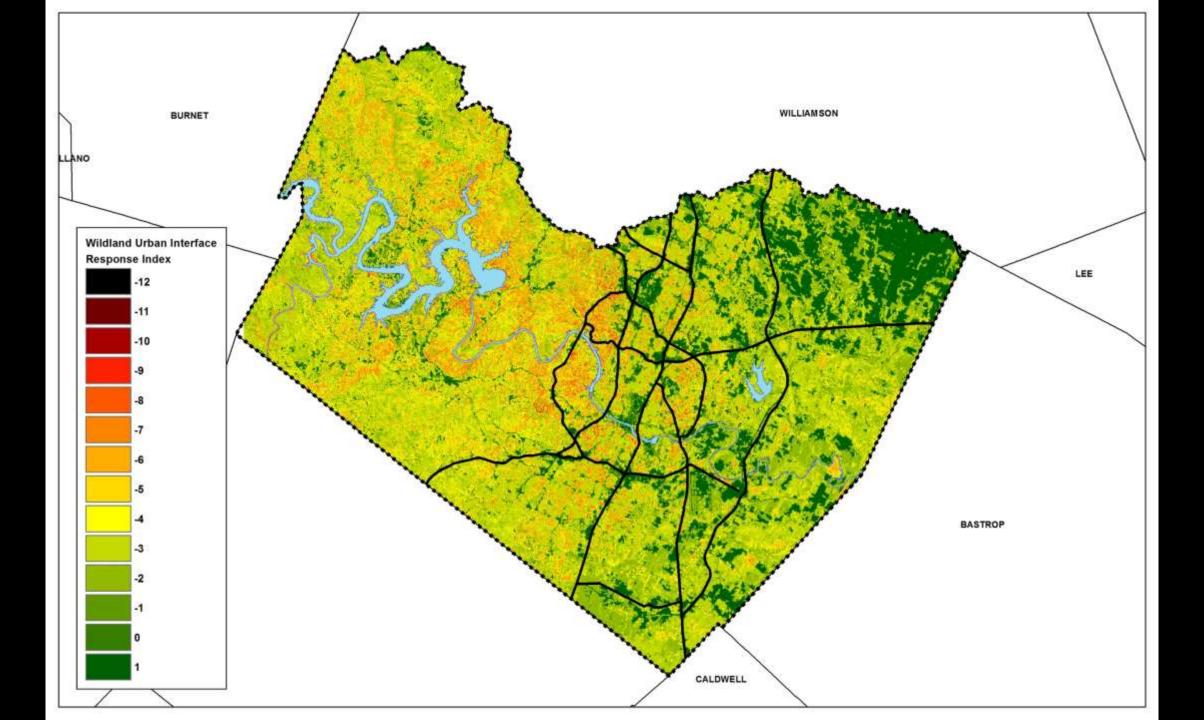


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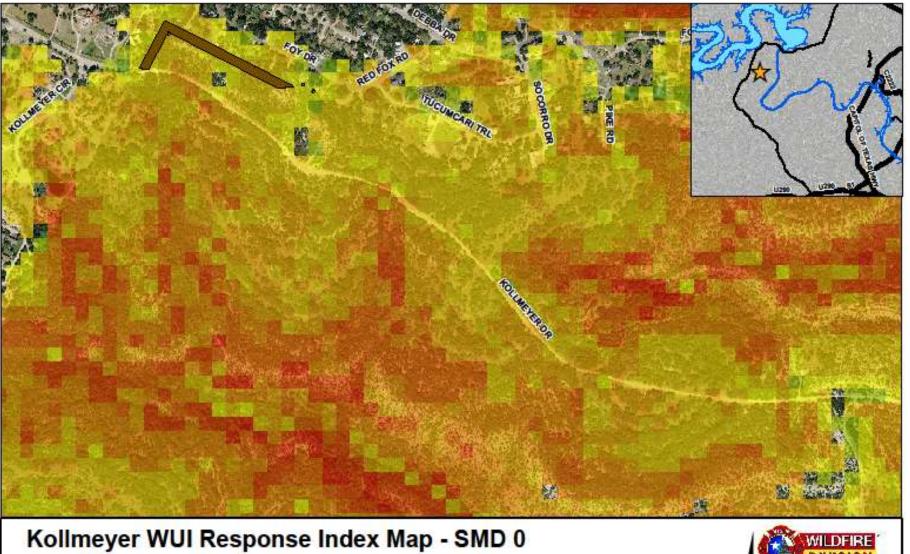
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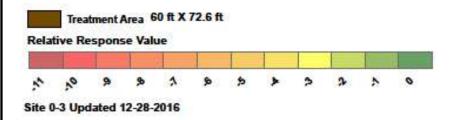
#### Treatment Areas

 Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) - Any developed area where conditions affecting the combustibility of both wildland and built fuels allow for the ignition and spread of fire through the combined fuel complex.

- Public Land Boundaries
- FireWise Communities
- Prescribed burns not practical
- A full time fuels crew and firefighters









#### Kollmeyer Site Map - SMD 0

Shaded Fuel Break 1.8 Acres 60 ft X 72.6 ft



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#### Treatment Targets

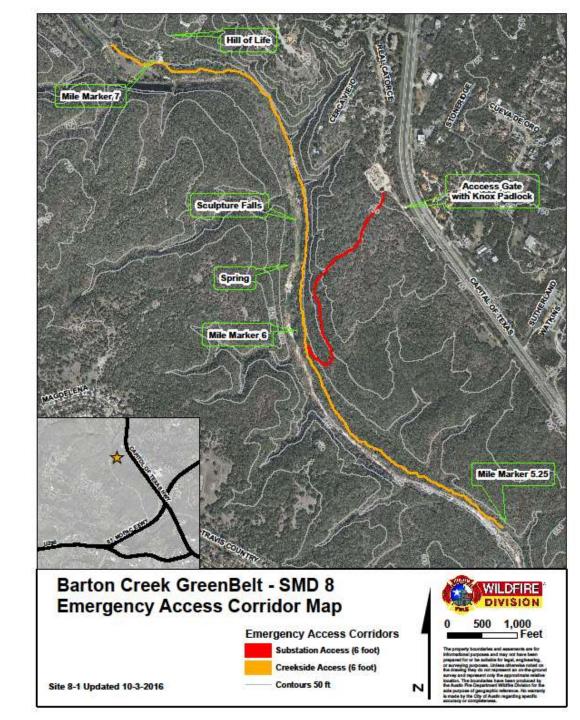
- Fuel Loadings of highly flammable fuels
- High Density with "ladder" Fuels
- Invasive Species Management
- Favor valuable species
- 3 Types of common treatments:
- Access Corridors
- Dead and Down Removal
- Shaded Fuel Break



## Access Corridors

Provide emergency access for personnel and emergency response apparatus in the event of an emergency

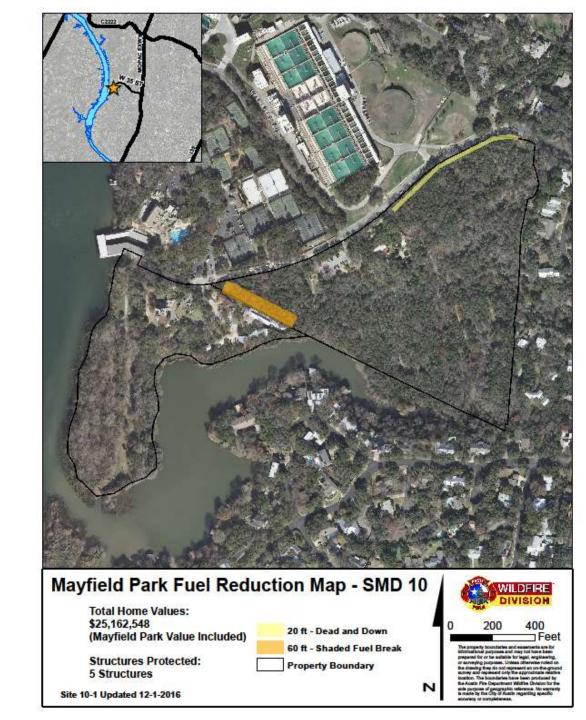




# Dead & Down Removal

The removal of dead trees and downed woody debris (usually done as an extension of a shaded fuel break)





# Shaded Fuel Break

Fine fuels (<3 inches in diameter) are removed where they exist to a height of six to eight feet.

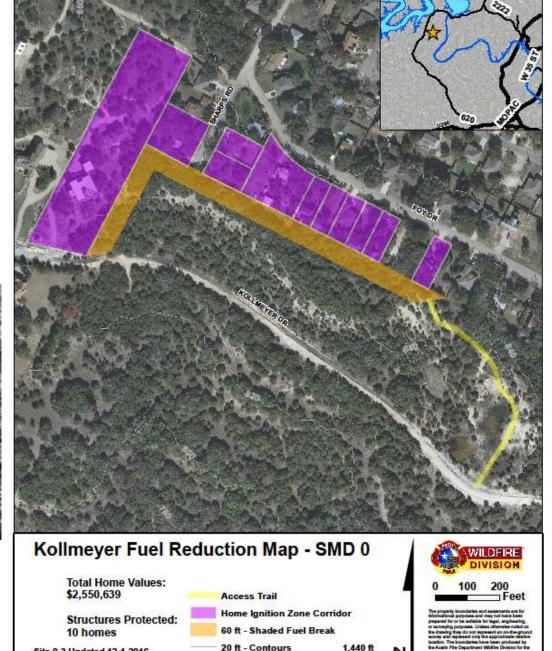
Before





After

Site 0-3 Updated 12-1-2016



## Shaded Fuel Break

- Reduce the fuel load.
- Raise the canopy base height.
- Reduce fine fuels while preserving the shaded canopy cover.
- Remove all dead and downed vegetation.
- Eradicate any invasive, non-native species found.
- Promote a mixed hardwood/juniper closed canopy (70-100%) woodlands cover-type



Before



After





#### Kollmeyer BCP Project 1.8 acre SFB

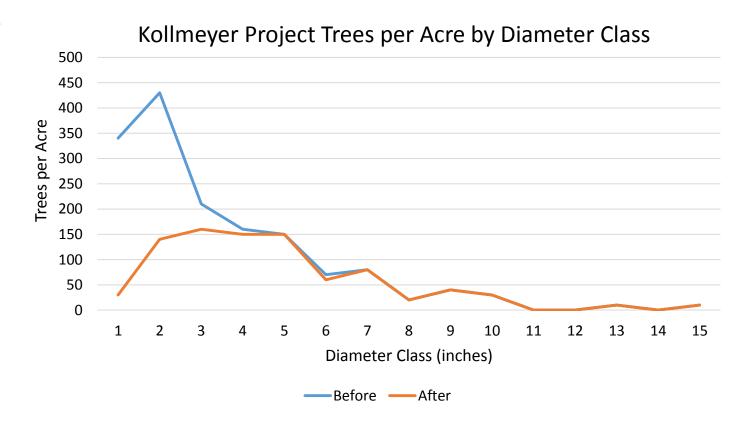
Average Canopy Coverage

Before: 60% Change: 16%

Trees Per Acre

Before: 1550 After: 880

• Tons Removed: **16.5** 

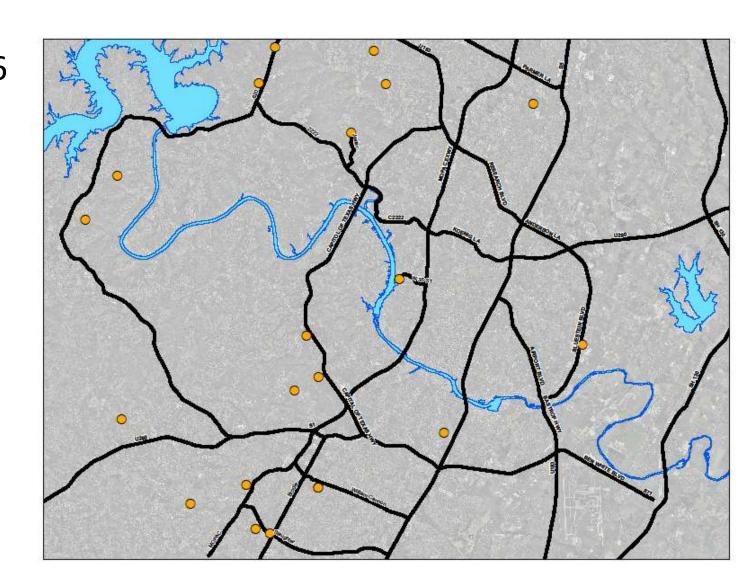






#### AFD Wildfire Fuels Mitigation Program Results

- 12 completed projects 2016
- 5 completed projects todate 2017
- 3.4 miles of boundary treated
- 160 Homes Protected
- \$85,489,404 residential property values protected



## Thank You

