

A non-profit, non-partisan corporation of public-spirited leaders who have joined together to be catalysts for the economic well-being of the Inland Empire region of California – San Bernardino and Riverside counties.

Continued Investment in Wildfire Solutions is Critical

1. Request appropriate funding for wildfire mitigation and fuel management efforts.
 - Request a **revised funding formula for Prop 4** funding as new CAL FIRE maps show that 55 – 60% of San Bernardino County is now designated as High or Very High wildfire hazard and receives zero Prop 4 dollars.
 - Support a budget request from SB County Supervisor Rowe to be included in the FY 26-27 state budget in the amount of **\$7 million for San Bernardino County Fire Fuel Mitigation Project**.
 - Ensure that both San Bernardino and Riverside Counties receive their **fair share of Cap & Invest dollars for wildfire mitigation**.
2. Support for the following bills:
 - **SB 894** (Allen) - Expands financing for home hardening and defensible space.
 - **SB 973** (Becker) – Strengthens county-level wildfire coordination and planning.
 - **SB 1079** (Stern) – Advances wildfire technology through CAL FIRE.
3. In addition, the **SB 254 Natural Catastrophe Resilience Study** offers an important, data-driven assessment of California’s wildfire risk by examining statewide gaps in prevention, mitigation, and preparedness efforts. **Inland Action looks forward to engaging in the policy development process** informed by this study to help shape practical, regionally responsive outcomes that strengthen wildfire resilience across the Inland Empire.

Wildfires impose a major economic burden in California, causing hundreds of billions of dollars in losses across property, business activity, insurance, and public recovery costs. FEMA ranks both San Bernardino and Riverside counties at the highest risk scores for wildfires with the maximum score of 100%.



In January 2025, the Palisades Fire and Eaton Fire in LA County destroyed thousands of structures and caused \$28-\$54 billion in property damage, with broader losses projected into the billions more due to business disruptions, lost jobs, and reduced tax revenue.

Effective Firefighting Requires Reliable Water Supplies



Inland Action continues to advocate for strong State support for major water production, transmission, and storage projects. Two critical, and generational projects, that are critical to California’s water future are:

- SITES Reservoir.
- Delta Conveyance Project.

Inland Action encourages State action, where necessary, to ensure these projects are delivered.