

AUSTIN FIRE DEPARTMENT

Wildfire Readiness Update

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BE IT RESOLVED...

"Provide a progress report every six months to the Public Safety Commission for the following important components of a comprehensive WUI risk reduction plan."

Council Resolution NO. 20160512-016

The information presented in this update are maintained in real-time through dynamic data



Wildfire Readiness Update

1. The number of local CWPP's completed and implemented.
2. The number of local CWPP's started but not completed.
3. The percentage of high-risk WUI areas in which identification of potential local CWPP planning areas is ongoing.
4. The number of public presentations and home assessments provided.
5. The number, size, type and location of fuel mitigation activities conducted.
6. The number of training hours received and conducted.

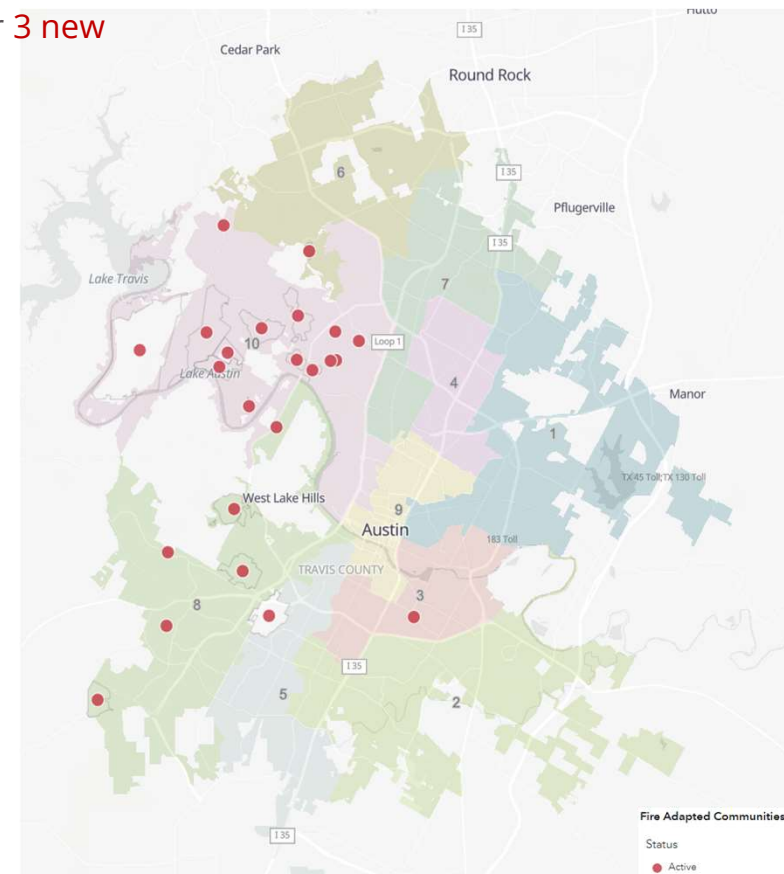
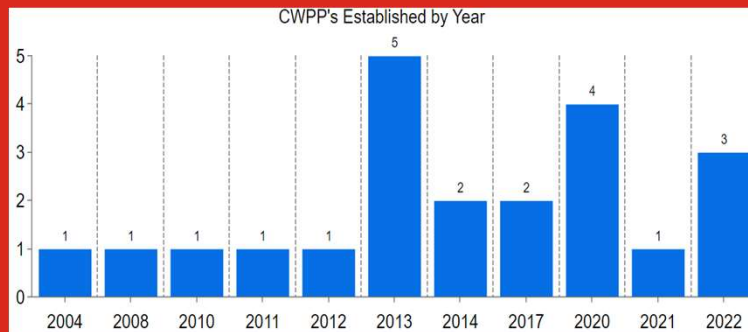




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AUSTIN CWPP's

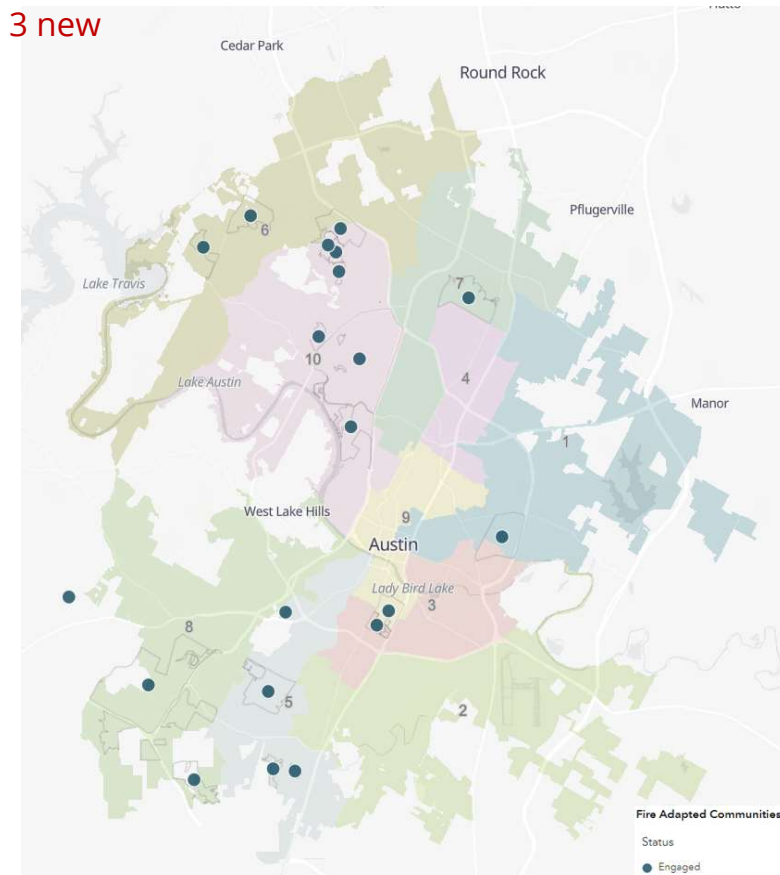
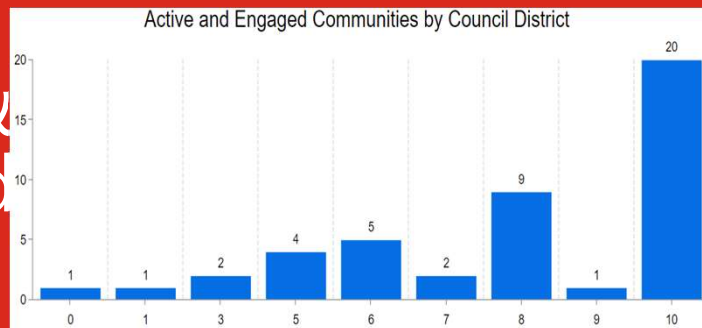




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Active & Engaged

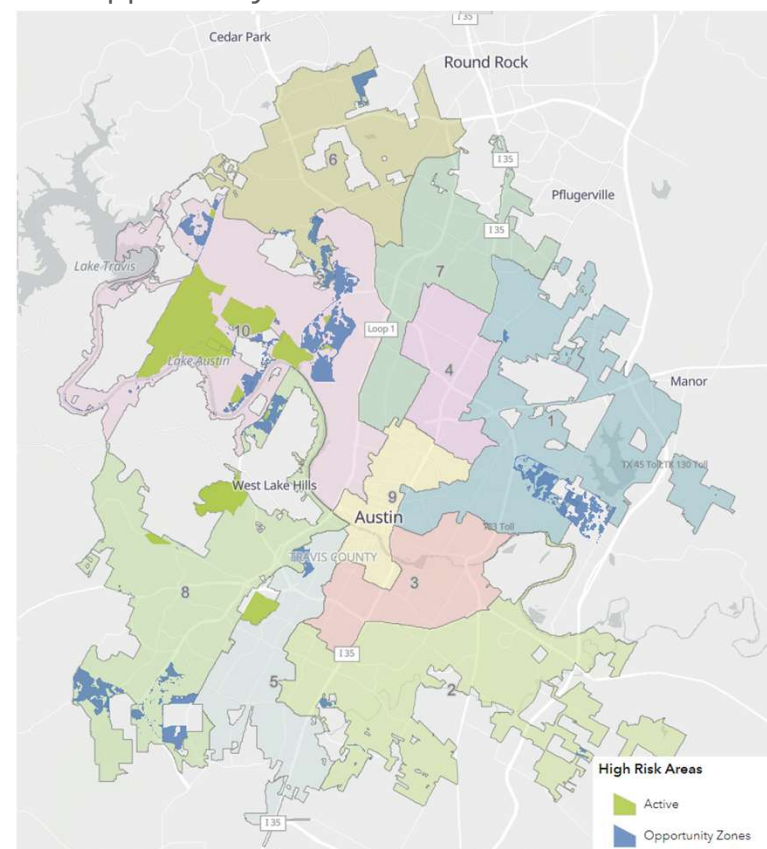
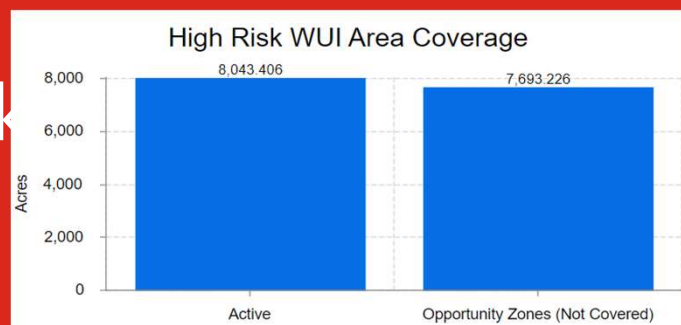




3) The percentage of high-risk WUI areas in which identification of potential local CWPP planning areas is still ongoing is **49%**.

Of the 14% of Austin classified as high risk, 51% is covered by a local level CWPP, **49%** are identified as opportunity zones.

High Risk Areas

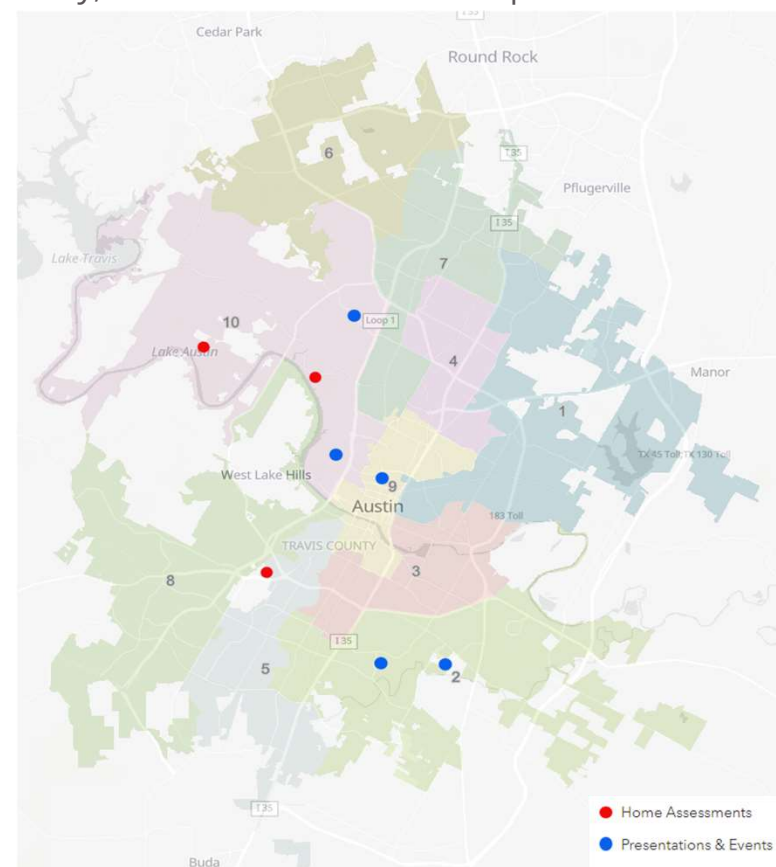
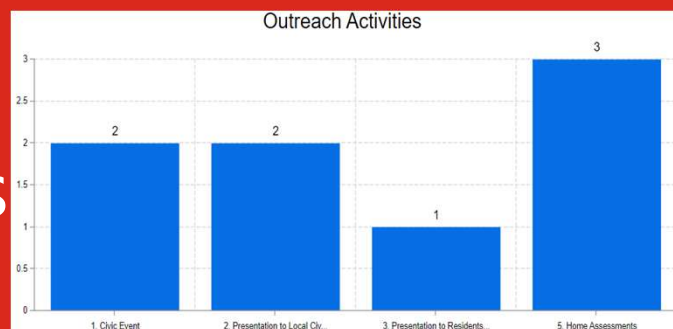




4) The number of public presentations and home assessments provided in the past 6 months.

5 Presentations and events, including virtual events such as the annual Wildfire Symposium held virtually, and 3 home assessments provided.

Outreach Activities

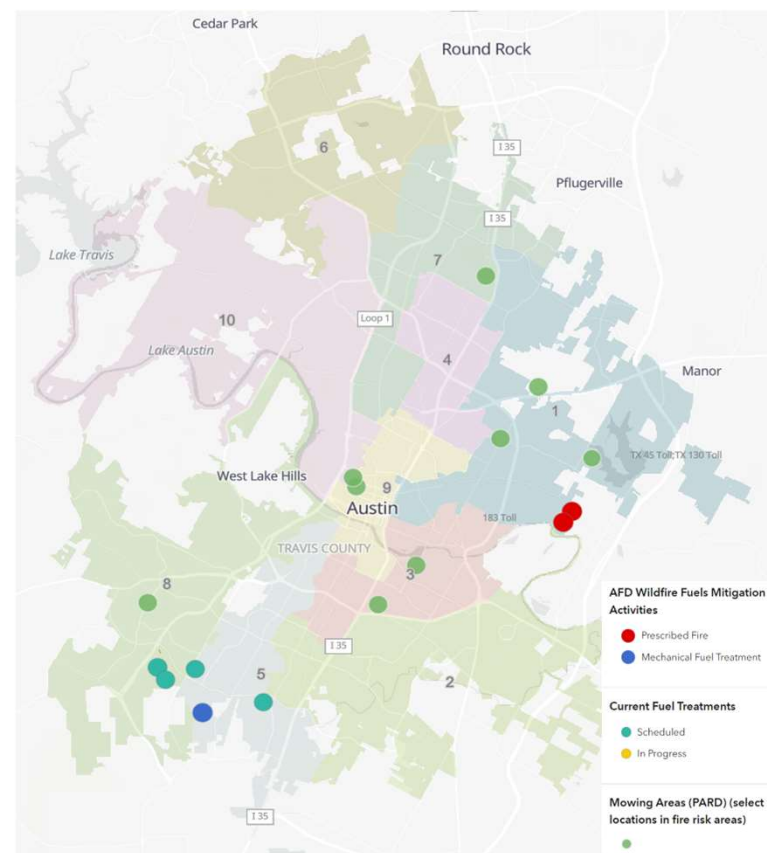
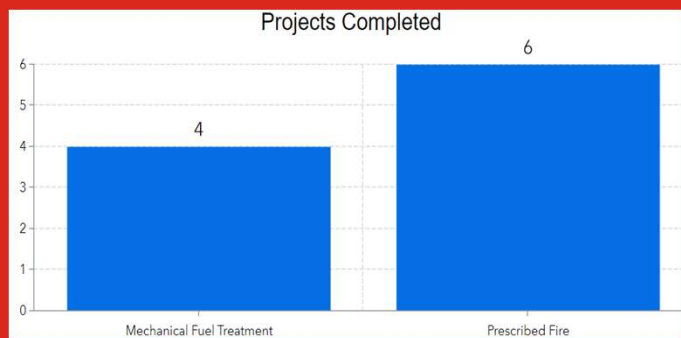




5) The number, size, type and location of fuel mitigation activities conducted in the past 6 months.

6 Prescribed fires (268 ac) and 4 shaded fuel breaks (60 ac) completed.

Fuel Mitigation

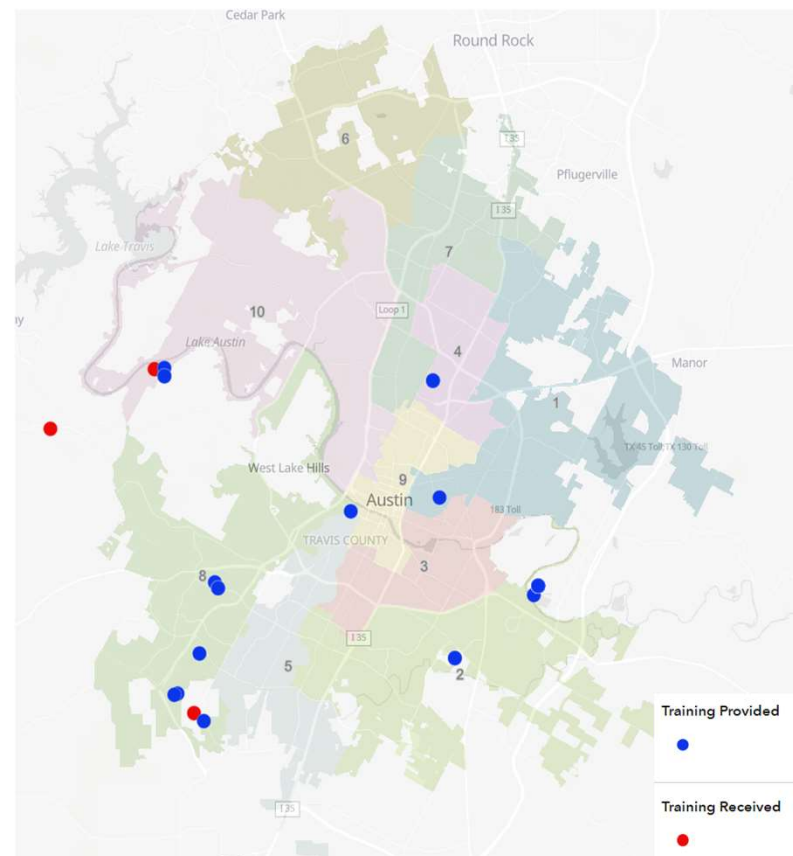
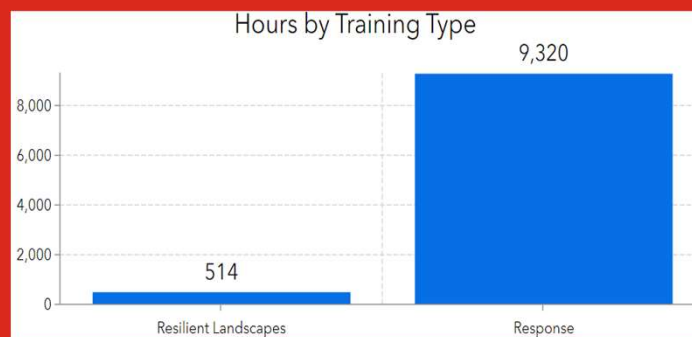




6) The number of training hours received and conducted in the past six months.

825 Training hours received and 8,769 training hours conducted in the past six months, including the ongoing "Responding to the Interface" training.

Training Activities

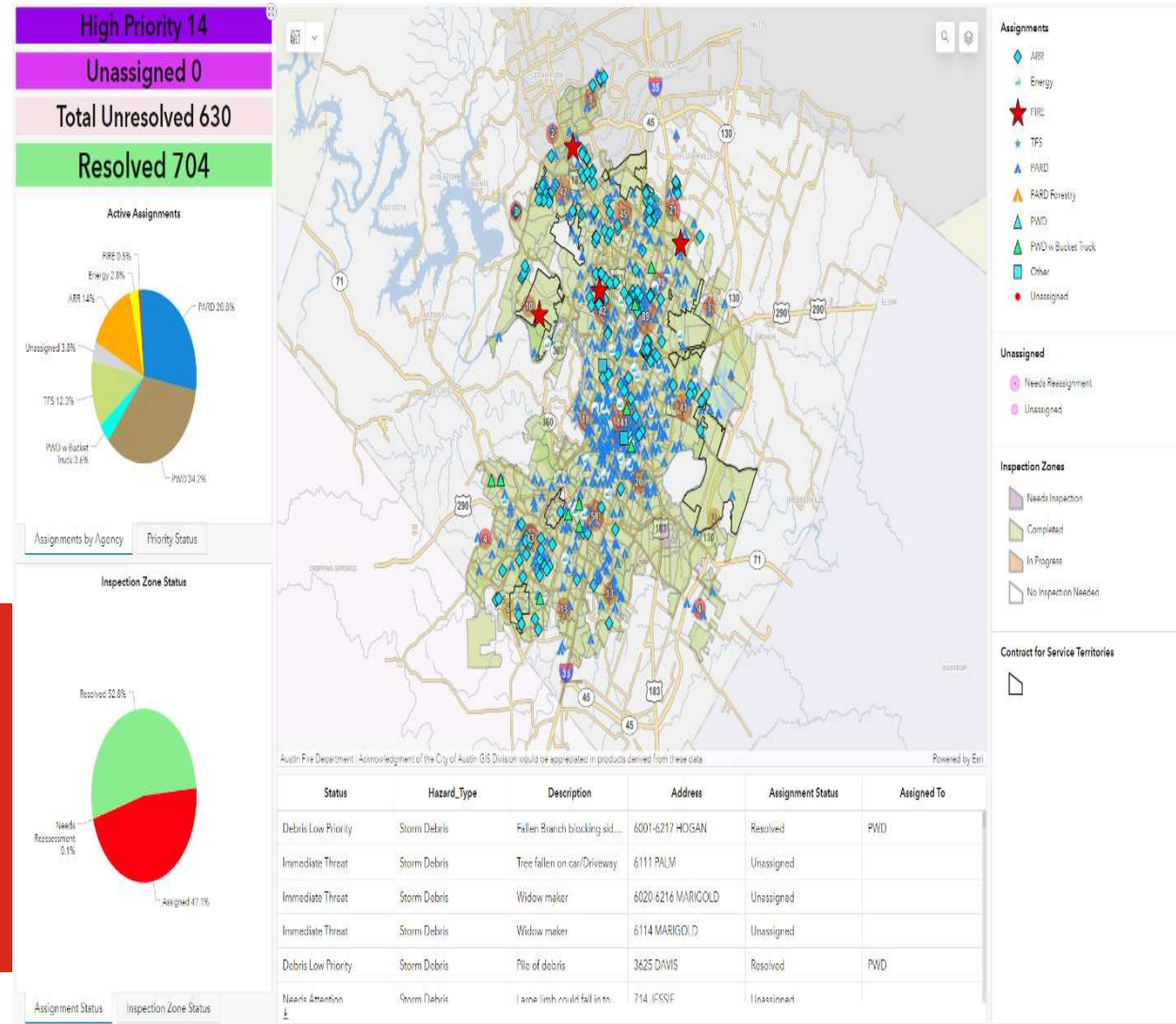


Mitigation and Recovery Efforts –

AFD led a joint-effort with City of Austin Public Works, Austin Resource Recovery, Austin Energy, Austin Parks and Recreation Department, and Texas A&M Forest Service in identifying hazards associated with downed trees and limbs. AFD populated a GIS application with photos, locations, and descriptions of material on roads, power lines, rights of way, sidewalks, and driveways.

In first 48 Hours...

- **98%** road network assessment
- **1,400** debris points collected & assigned
- **85%** (145) “High Priority” threats mitigated



Operations Dashboard for Storm Debris Mitigation Assignments during Winter Storm Mara.

Questions?

More information can be found on these metrics and much more at

ATXWildfire.org

The information presented in this update are maintained in real-time in our new Austin-Area Wildfire Hub, accessible through our website

