

Wildland-Urban Interface

Mineral County's 2018 CWPP defines the wildland-urban interface (WUI) as: *Locations where the proximity of human development to natural vegetation has the potential to result in adverse impacts to life and property in the event of a wildfire.* Based on this definition the WUI in Mineral County correlates to the area 1.5 miles surrounding structures – see Figure 7. In identifying the WUI in Mineral County, the CWPP steering committee felt that focusing mitigation efforts on areas within 1.5 miles of structures would provide the best approach for reducing wildfire risk across the County. On the ground however, there may be instances where the WUI (based on the definition above) will go beyond the 1.5-mile threshold based on localized factors including slope, aspect, fuel loads, and structural ignitability.

Figure 7 - Mineral County Wildland-Urban Interface

