

## **§ 23.0302 Valley Area Fire Hazard Abatement.**

(a) Valley Area means that portion of the unincorporated area of the County of San Bernardino south and west of the National Forest boundary.

(b) Flammable vegetation in the Valley area means:

- (1) Plants, unless pruned to remove dead material;
- (2) Grass over four inches in height;
- (3) Tumbleweeds (Russian thistle).

(c) Fire Hazard in the Valley Area means:

- (1) Flammable vegetation;
- (2) Combustible rubbish;
- (3) Limbs and undergrowth up to six feet off the ground in Eucalyptus windrows.

(Am. Ord. 3586, passed - -1994)

## **📖 § 23.0303 Alternative Abatement of Large Parcels.**

In the case of any parcel or contiguous parcels under the same ownership upon which exists over five continuous acres of vegetation which constitutes a fire hazard, the requirements of the duty to abate fire hazards may be satisfied if there is cleared, and maintained cleared, a 40-foot wide strip of land at the boundaries of such land, and through such land so that there shall not be any portion of the land larger than two and one-half acres which is not enclosed by itself within such strip, which shall be firebreak, and all of the following conditions are also met:

(a) Firebreaks are not an approved abatement method for tumbleweeds (Russian thistle).

(b) It shall be the landowner's responsibility to notify the enforcing agency, in writing, if the landowner wants to use the firebreak provisions of this Section.

(c) All fire hazards must be removed within 30 feet of any structure. Landowners are responsible for removing fire hazards on their property within 30 feet of any structure, regardless of parcel or lot lines.

(d) Where neighboring persons or properties are especially vulnerable to the effects of a fire, including, but not limited to schools, hospitals, mobile home parks, retirement residences and chaparral/development interfaces, and larger breaks or solid disking are deemed necessary for fire protection, firebreaks which exceed 40 feet or solid disking of parcels larger than five acres may be required by the enforcing agency.