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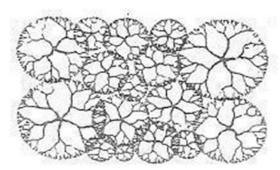
Home Ignition Zones

Sec. 4907.4.1 Zone 1 Immediate Zone 0-5' Meaning from exterior wall surface of the building extending 5 feet on a horizontal plane. This zone shall be constructed of continuous hardscape or limited fire resistant plantings acceptable to the FAHJ. Vegetation in this zone shall not exceed 6" to 18" in height and irrigation is required. Removal of combustible materials surrounding the exterior wall area and maintaining area free and clear of combustible materials. The use of mulch and other combustible materials shall be prohibited.

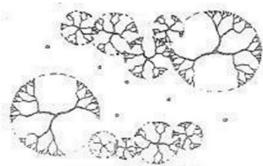


Sec. 4907.4.2 Zone 2 Intermediate Zone from Zone 5' to 50' means from the immediate edge of zone 1 extending out in a horizontal plane. This zone shall consist of planting of low growth, drought tolerant and fire resistive plant species. The height of the plants in this zone starts at 6" adjacent to Zone 1 and extending in a linear fashion up to a maximum of 18" at intersection with Zone 3. Vegetation in this zone shall be irrigated and not exceed 10' in height and shall be moderate in nature. Trees shall not exceed 30' in height and be limited or as approved by the FAHJ. Firewood inside this zone shall be piled minimum of 30' away from all buildings and structures. Cords of firewood shall also be maintained at least 10' from property lines and not stacked under tree canopies drip lines.

Sec. 4907.4.3 Zone 3 Extended Zone 50'-100' means from the immediate edge of Zone 2 extending out in a horizontal plane for 50'. This zone consists of planting of drought tolerant and fire resistive plant species of moderate height. Brush and plants shall be limbed up off the ground so the lowest branches are 1/3 height of bush/tree/plant or up to 6' off the ground on mature trees. This area would be considered selective clearing of natural vegetation and dense chaparral by removing a minimum 50% of the square footage of this area.



Before Thinning



After Thinning