

**Wildland Urban Interface Projects Tested by Wildland Fire**  
Color Country – Southwest Utah- Wildland Urban Interface Areas

The Cal Fire tested the community of Central, Utah in 2004. Although approximately 100 homes were threatened and evacuated, the fuel breaks that were created in 2002/3 held the fire at the community's edge. The crown fire was stopped and the fire dropped into lighter fuels. It burned to the control lines. The fuel breaks literally save this community.



During the first part of July, 2005 the community of New Harmony was threaten from the 12,000 acre Blue Springs wildland fire. The community consisted of upscale homes and was evacuated as the fire approached the fuel breaks completed through NFP funds. The fuel breaks saved this community as they had saved Central the year before.



Fuel Break can be seen here

Fire approaching the homes in New Harmony.



In the picture below you can see where trees were removed in the upper left of the photo. The fuel break ended next to the private property. This allowed the house to be defended and saved from the fire.



The aerial view of the fuel break complex (below) shows where the fire bumped the community and was stopped from progression on several fronts.

