CDI MANDATORY DISCOUNTS

Mandatory factors.

- (1) No insurer shall use a rating plan that does not take into account and reflect the following mandatory factors:
- (A) Community-level mitigation designations:

The rating plan shall reflect, and the rate offered to the applicant or insured shall be based in part on, the reduced wildfire risk associated with each and every community-level mitigation designation listed below in this subdivision (d)(1)(A) that is applicable to the community in which the Building Being Evaluated is located. Community-level mitigation designations include:

- 1. Fire Risk Reduction Community listed by the Board of Forestry pursuant to Public Resources Code section 4290.1; and
- 2. Firewise USA Site in Good Standing.
- (B) Property-level mitigation efforts.

The rating plan shall reflect, and the rate offered to the applicant or insured shall be based in part on, the reduced wildfire risk resulting from each and every property-level wildfire risk mitigation effort listed in subdivisions (d)(1)(B)1.a. through (d)(1)(B)1.e. and (d)(1)(B)2.a. through (d)(1)(B)2.e., below, that is undertaken with respect to an individual property being assessed for risk. Individual property-level wildfire risk mitigation efforts include:

- 1. Measures addressing the immediate surroundings of the Building Being Evaluated, including:
 - a. Clearing of vegetation and debris from under decks,
- b. Clearing of vegetation, debris, mulch, stored combustible materials, and any and all movable combustible objects, from the area within five (5) feet of the Building Being Evaluated,
- c. Incorporation of only noncombustible materials into that portion of any improvements to the property on which the Building Being Evaluated is located, including fences and gates, which is situated within five (5) feet of the Building Being Evaluated,
- d. Removal or absence of combustible structures, including sheds and other outbuildings, from the area within thirty (30) feet of the Building Being Evaluated or, in the event that the applicant or insured does not control the entirety of the area extending thirty feet from the Building Being Evaluated, removal of combustible structures from as much of such area as is under the control of the applicant or policyholder, and
- e. Whether the property upon which the Building Being Evaluated is situated complies with Section 4291 of the Public Resources Code, and any applicable local ordinances, governing defensible space; and

- 2. Building hardening measures, including provision of the following:
 - a. Class-A Fire Rated Roof,
 - b. Enclosed Eaves,
 - c. Fire-Resistant Vents,
- d. Multipane windows, including dual pane windows, or functional shutters, which when closed, cover the entire window and do not have openings, and
- e. At least six (6) inches of noncombustible vertical clearance at the bottom of the exterior surface of the building, measured from the ground up.

Definitions.

As used in this section, each of the following terms has the meaning set forth below:

(1) Building Being Evaluated.

The term "Building Being Evaluated" means the residential or commercial structure in question, and includes decks that are attached to or abut the structure.

(2) Class-A Fire Rated Roof

A "Class-A Fire Rated Roof" is a roof that receives a Class A rating when tested in accordance with ASTM E108 or UL 790.

(3) Enclosed Eaves.

"Enclosed Eaves" are roof eaves that have either (1) boxed-in roof eave soffits with a horizontal underside or (2) an exterior covering applied to the underside of the rafter tails supporting the eaves, which covering is sloped corresponding to the slope of the rafter tails. Enclosed Eaves are thus distinguishable from open roof eaves, whose rafter tails are exposed.

(4) Fire-Resistant Vents.

"Fire-Resistant Vents" are vents, including but not limited to ventilation openings for enclosed attics, enclosed eave soffit spaces, enclosed rafter spaces formed where ceilings are applied directly to the underside of roof rafters, and underfloor ventilation openings, that are fully covered with wildland flame and ember resistant vents approved and listed by the California State Fire Marshal or with vents listed to the ASTM E2886 standard.

(5) Firewise USA Site in Good Standing.

A "Firewise USA Site in Good Standing" is a community that, at the time the Building Being Evaluated is rated, is recognized as such by the National Fire Protection Association, a Massachusetts 501(c)(3) corporation.