

(10) Trunks or branches on the ground less than four inches in diameter, not including split and neatly stacked fire wood.

(c) Fire Hazard in the Mountain Area means:

- (1) Flammable vegetation within ten feet of a road;
- (2) Combustible rubbish, waste or discarded materials;
- (3) Leaves, needles or other dead vegetative growth on roofs or structures.

(d) When neighboring persons or properties are especially vulnerable to the effects of fire, including, but not limited to schools, hospitals, mobile home parks, residential occupancies, it is the responsibility of the property owner to adhere to the provisions of this section when flammable vegetation stands within 100 feet, measured on the ground, of all neighboring structures. Additional clearance may be required at the discretion of the County Fire Chief/Fire Warden or their designee on buildings listed above that may be used as evacuation centers, medical facilities and/or places of public gatherings and/or critical infrastructure.

(Am. Ord. 3586, passed --1994; Am. Ord. 4058, passed - -2008; Am. Ord. 4064, passed - -2008)

§ 23.0305 Desert Area Fire Hazard Abatement.

(a) Desert Area means all portions of the unincorporated area of the County of San Bernardino north and east of the National Forest boundaries.

(b) Flammable vegetation in the Desert Area means:

- (1) Tumbleweeds (Russian thistle);
- (2) Limbs and debris of salt cedar (Tamarisk) within six feet of the ground;
- (3) Plants, unless pruned to remove dead material;
- (4) Grass over four inches in height.

(c) Fire Hazard in the Desert Area means:

- (1) Flammable vegetation within ten feet of a road;
- (2) Tumbleweeds, regardless of distance from structures;
- (3) Combustible rubbish;
- (4) Flammable vegetation within 30 feet of all structures, including that portion of the property within 30 feet of structures on adjacent properties;

(5) Where neighboring persons or properties are especially vulnerable to the effects of a fire, including, but not limited to schools, hospitals, mobile home parks, residential occupancies or chaparral/development interfaces, flammable vegetation within 100 feet of all structures.

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

 **§ 23.0306 Hazardous Tree Abatement With in Mountain Area.**

(a) The Board of Supervisors' finds that within the Mountain Area as defined in San Bernardino County Code § [23.0304](#)(a) a unique problem arises from several factors, including storms and various forms of precipitation, causing trees to become unstable and hazardous to lives and property.

(b) Within the boundaries of the Mountain Area, the provisions of this Section shall apply to any tree which constitutes a fire, health, or safety hazard or which may endanger or injure neighboring property, or the health, safety, or well-being of persons or property.

(c) Every owner, occupant or person in control of any land or interest in land within such areas of the County shall abate any hazardous tree there from and from all sidewalks, parkways and easements on such land.

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