

RETROFIT AND HARDENING ACTIVITIES

Retrofit and hardening activities would be performed in compliance with state and local building codes and ordinances and may include replacing roofing materials, windows, doors, and exteriors with fire resistant, non-flammable materials. All measures taken would conform as much as possible to the pre-existing condition of the residential structure.

Specific hardening activities would be identified for each structure on a case-by-case basis but may include:

- Replacing roof coverings with Class A materials
- Covering or replacing gutters with non-combustible materials
- Replacing under eave construction with non-combustible options
- Replacing siding at the roof-to-wall intersection with ignition-resistant options
- Installing ignition-resistant attic vents
- Replacing decks and fencing with non-combustible materials
- Replacing doors and windows with fire resistant, non-flammable materials

The use of heavy equipment is not anticipated, as retrofitting work could be completed with hand tools. Equipment would be staged and stored at the specific job site, avoiding previously undisturbed areas. Defensible space activities must accompany any home hardening activities.