

Hawai'i Wildfire Summit:

Join us for the **Hawaii Wildfire Summit 2025 on Feb. 27-28, 2025**, a two-day event bringing together community leaders, emergency responders, policymakers, and wildfire experts to share insights, tackle challenges, and build a stronger, more wildfire-resilient Hawaii.

Register here for the 2-day Hawaii Wildfire Summit

Home Ignition Zone Assessment & Mitigation (HIZAM) workshop:

To complement the summit, we're offering a one-day, hands-on training to learn about assessing the home ignition zone (structures, surrounding yards, and areas) for wildfire risk potential and mitigation measures. Summit attendance is NOT necessary to join this class. The class is being offered on Wednesday, Feb 25 (one day before the summit) and Saturday, March 1 (one day after the summit).

Register here for the 1-day HIZAM class

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When and Where?

Thursday Feb 27, 2025 - 8:30am - 5:00pm & Friday Feb 28, 2025 - 8:00am - 4:30pm HST

OUTRIGGER Kona Resort & Spa 78-128 Ehukai Street Kailua-Kona, HI 96740 Show map

Why attend the Summit?

- **Learn from Experts**: Gain insights from leading professionals in wildfire resilience and management.
- Engage and Collaborate: Build connections with peers, policymakers, and advocates.
- **Take Action**: Leave equipped with actionable knowledge, tools, and resources to strengthen wildfire preparedness.

What is the basic schedule for each day?

Thursday Feb 27, 2025

- Registration opens at 7:30 am
- Summit begins at 9:00am
- Pau at 5:00pm
- Join us for a mixer social event at 5pm: Pupus and no-host bar

Friday Feb 28, 2025

- Summit begins 8:00am
- Pau A Hui Hou 4:30pm

What is the basic agenda for each day?

Day 1: All Together Now

On the first day, all attendees will come together for a unified program featuring keynote speakers, expert panels, and interactive sessions. The focus will be on Hawaii's progress in wildfire resilience, lessons from recent fires, and innovations in wildfire safety and planning.

Key Sessions for Day 1:

- **Welcome and Opening Remarks**: Hear from Hawaii's leaders as they set the stage for resilience-building efforts.
- **Keynote Panel: Lessons from Lahaina**: Reflect on recent wildfires and their lasting impact on Hawaii's wildfire strategies.
- Why the Built Environment Matters: Explore how infrastructure and building codes play a vital role in wildfire preparedness.
- **Firewise Communities in Action**: Celebrate the achievements of Hawaii's Firewise communities and their proactive efforts.
- **Fire Weather, Technology, and Notifications**: Discover new advancements in wildfire monitoring and communication systems.
- **Policy Updates and Next Steps**: End the day with legislative updates and actionable strategies for the future.

Day 2: Choose Your Pathway

On the second day, attendees will have the opportunity to choose one of two specialized pathways:

Pathway 1: Community, Land Stewardship, and Policy

Designed for community leaders, land managers, and advocates, this pathway emphasizes practical risk-reduction techniques, collaboration, and community engagement to build wildfire resilience.

Key Sessions for Pathway 1:

- **Practical Risk Reduction**: Techniques such as planting native vegetation, grazing, and retrofitting structures for fire resilience.
- **Collaboration & Resilience**: Interactive workshops to strengthen community wildfire networks and sustain action.
- **Grants & Project Planning**: Expert-led sessions on funding opportunities and project development.
- Advocacy & Communication: Best practices for wildfire messaging and advocacy in Hawaii.

Pathway 2: Fire and Emergency Services

Geared toward fire service professionals, emergency responders, and planners, this pathway focuses on advanced strategies for wildfire response, preparedness, and management.

Key Sessions for Pathway 2:

• Incident Management Best Practices: Enhance response strategies with lessons from

- recent events.
- **CWPPs & Pre-Attack Plans**: Develop actionable wildfire preparedness plans tailored to Hawaii
- Codes & Standards: Improve and implement fire codes and Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) standards.

How much is registration and what does it include?

Registration Fee: \$79 per person (plus applicable taxes and fees)

Includes all summit sessions on Thursday and Friday, lunch on Thursday and Friday, Pau Hana and mixer on Thursday evening at 5pm.

Where can I stay?

We have two hotel blocks at the Outrigger (where the summit is taking place) and the Royal Kona (nearby hotel) for our summit guests. Book your room ASAP!

#1 - Special Event Hotel Rate at the Outrigger (Block is Currently Sold Out)

A special conference rate is available for attendees of the Hawaii Wildfire Summit. Book early to secure your accommodations at this discounted rate using the link below.

- Book here: https://bit.lv/outrigger25
- Parking and resort fees are waived for summit attendees

#2 - Special Event Hotel Rate at the Royal Kona Resort*

Additional hotel rooms are available at the Royal Kona Resort at a special hotel rate.

- To book your reservation, contact Ailen at 808-930-3256 (Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-5:30PM) or call Central Reservation at 800-22-ALOHA (800-222-5642)
- Be sure to mention the group name: Hawaii Wildfire Management Organization
- Parking will be waived for hotel guests
- Shuttle service to/from the conference venue (Outrigger) will be available at 7:30 am and 6 pm

Where can I park?

The Outrigger is waiving the fee for self parking for all summit guests, whether you are staying at the Outrigger or not.

Are there other events happening?

Jack Cohen is in Hawai'i to teach a Special Training on Home Ignition Zone Assessment & Mitigation

To complement the summit, we're offering a one-day, hands-on training to learn about assessing the home ignition zone (structures, surrounding yards, and areas) for wildfire risk potential and mitigation measures.

Summit attendance is NOT necessary to join this class. Please send to personnel, colleagues, and community partners.

This training will be held at the West Hawai'i Civic Center

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Two date options:

- February 26, 2025 (day before the summit) OR
- March 1, 2025 (day after the summit)

More Information and Registration for a HIZAM training HERE

What is the cancelation and refund policy?

Contact HWMO at **admin@hawaiiwildfire.org** to request a refund. The Eventbrite fee is nonrefundable.

If You Cancel

- **Full Refund**: Cancellations received on or before January 31, 2025 will receive a full refund of the registration fee.
- **Partial Refund**: Cancellations received between February 1 to February 15, 2025 will receive a 50% refund.
- No Refunds: Cancellations received after February 15, 2025 are not eligible for a refund.

If We Cancel

If the Wildfire Summit is canceled by the organizers, attendees will receive a full refund of the registration fee. However, the organizers are not responsible for travel or accommodation expenses incurred.

How do I register?

Register on Eventbrite HERE

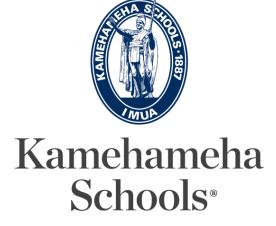
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