

Modulators

Vegetation (fuel)

- Biomass
 - Total fuel load
 - Fuel load by size class
- Structure
 - Vertical arrangement
 - Horizontal connectivity

Fire weather & Ignitions

Context

- Environmental
e.g., long-term drought
- Management
e.g., logging or grazing
- Social
e.g., fire policy

Core parameters

- Fire characteristics
 - Fire type (vegetation layer)
 - Intensity (energy release)
- Temporal distribution
 - Seasonality
 - Frequency (return interval)
 - Duration of heating
- Spatial pattern
 - Extent (total burn area)
 - Shape (length vs. breadth)
 - Location & number of ignitions
 - Completeness of burn (patchiness)

Effects

Direct

- Physical severity
 - Heating depth
 - Soil structure & nutrients
- Biological severity (mortality)
- Social & economic severity



Indirect

- Community succession
 - Growth conditions
 - Wildlife habitat
- Physical conditions
 - Aquatic environment
 - Weather & climate
- Landscape planning & fire management policy