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

Frequency (return interval)

- Fire characteristics Fire type (vegetation layer) Intensity (energy release)
- Temporal distribution Seasonality
 - **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