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## **Final Four Chapters Released of the NARUC Wildfire Workbook**

*Interactive Resource Provides Operational, Communications and Regulatory Strategies*

**WASHINGTON** (January 22, 2026) — The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners has released Chapters 4-7 of the *Wildfire Workbook*, which completes the groundbreaking interactive resource for regulators, utilities and policymakers. These chapters are focused on response and coordination, cost recovery mechanisms, financial risk and wildfire mitigation efforts.

Overall, the workbook serves as a roadmap for regulators and others responsible for oversight of wildfire mitigation and tasked with ensuring utilities pursue operations and investments that address both public safety and affordability. Chapters 4-7 define frameworks for balancing utility liquidity with ratepayer affordability through standardized cost recovery mechanisms. Additionally, the chapters help provide greater understanding of mitigating financial liabilities and show how to apply quantifiable metrics to measure the effectiveness of safety investments, fostering a culture of continuous improvement across the industry.

“Along with the previous chapters we have released, the *Wildfire Workbook* functions as a comprehensive playbook for regulators, state officials and utilities by addressing the critical issues related to wildfires through case studies, research and analysis to help manage the lifecycle of wildfire risks,” said NARUC President Ann Rendahl of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission. “We are grateful for the input and collaboration of the Wildfire Working Group and others who have provided valuable contributions to bring this project to fruition. The interactive nature of the workbook and format of information should facilitate discussion and a foundation for practical decision making.”

Visit [bit.ly/NARUCWildfireResources](https://bit.ly/NARUCWildfireResources) for the complete workbook and to access other wildfire resources.

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*NARUC is a non-profit organization founded in 1889 whose members include the governmental agencies that are engaged in the regulation of utilities and carriers in the fifty states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. NARUC's member agencies regulate telecommunications, energy, and water utilities. NARUC represents the interests of state public utility commissions before the three branches of the federal government.*