

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-4

BICKNELL, UTAH

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING
THE INTERNATIONAL WILDLAND-URBAN INTERFACE CODE**

AN ORDINANCE OF BICKNELL TOWN ADOPTING THE 2024 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL WILDLAND-URBAN INTERFACE CODE (IWUIC), AS CURRENTLY AMENDED BY THE UTAH DIVISION OF FORESTRY, FIRE, AND STATE LANDS; REGULATING AND GOVERNING THE MITIGATION OF HAZARDS TO LIFE AND PROPERTY FROM THE INTRUSION OF FIRE FROM WILDLAND EXPOSURES, FIRE FROM ADJACENT STRUCTURES, AND THE PREVENTION OF STRUCTURE FIRES FROM SPREADING TO WILDLAND FUELS; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND THE COLLECTION OF FEES; REPEALING PRIOR CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Bicknell Town desires to promote the health, safety and welfare of those who live in properties in Bicknell Town; and

WHEREAS, the Utah State Legislature, through H.B. 48, requires municipalities to adopt the 2024 Edition of the Utah Wildland-Urban Interface Code by January 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, wildfire risk is an issue for properties in Bicknell Town, the areas of greater risk are identified on a Wildland-Urban Interface map, created by the Bicknell Town Planning Commission. See Exhibit "A"; and

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BICKNELL TOWN COUNCIL:

Section 1. Adoption of the International Wildland-Urban Interface Code.

A certain document, three (3) copies of which are on file in the office of the Bicknell Town Recorder, being marked and designated as the *International Wildland-Urban Interface Code, 2024 Edition*, as published by the International Code Council, is hereby adopted as the Wildland-Urban Interface Code of Bicknell Town, State of Utah.

Said code shall regulate and govern the mitigation of hazards to life and property from the intrusion of fire from wildland exposures, fire from adjacent structures, and the prevention of structure fires from spreading to wildland fuels. The adoption includes providing for the issuance of permits and the collection of applicable fees.

Each and all of the regulations, provisions, penalties, conditions, and terms of the referenced Wildland-Urban Interface Code, as filed in the office of the City Recorder, are hereby adopted and made a part of this ordinance as if fully set forth herein, subject to the additions, insertions, deletions, and changes prescribed in Section 2 of this ordinance.

Section 2. Adoption of the Wildland-Urban Interface Boundary.

The specific boundaries of the Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) area shall be as shown on the officially adopted Bicknell Town Wildland-Urban Interface Map. This ordinance serves to adopt the map shown in appendix A as the Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) area map for Bicknell Town.

Section 3. Repealer.

All Bicknell Town ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 4. Severability.

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is held unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

The Bicknell Town Council declares that it would have passed this ordinance, and each section, subsection, clause, and phrase thereof, regardless of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, clauses, or phrases be declared unconstitutional.

Section 5. Savings Clause.

Nothing contained in this ordinance or the adopted Wildland-Urban Interface Code shall be construed to affect any suit, proceeding, or action pending in any court; any rights acquired; any liability incurred; or any cause of action existing under any ordinance hereby repealed. Any such just or legal right or remedy shall not be lost, impaired, or affected by this ordinance.

Section 6. Publication.

The Bicknell Town Recorder is hereby directed to publish this ordinance according to Utah State law.

Section 7. Effective Date.

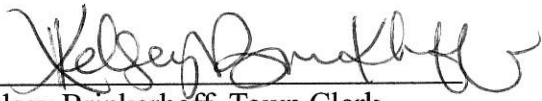
This ordinance and the rules, regulations, provisions, requirements, orders, and matters adopted herein shall take effect immediately after the date of its final passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Bicknell Town Council this 9th day of April, 2026.

TOWN OF BICKNELL

By 
Noreen Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Kelsey Brinkerhoff, Town Clerk

Town Council Members:

Kerry Steven

Weston Johnson

Gregg Anderson

Steve Albrecht

YES
YES
YES
YES

NO

NO

NO

NO

Exhibit A:

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Exhibit “A” Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) Map and Description

According to the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands Wildfire Risk Map, the Wildfire Hazard Potential (WHP) within Bicknell Town ranges from Minimal Direct Wildfire Impacts to Moderate, with the majority of the town classified between Minimal Direct Wildfire Impacts and Low. As a result, no Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) boundaries have been identified within Bicknell Town.

