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A public engagement webinar series by the <u>Arizona Institutes for Resilience</u>: Solutions for the Environment and Society (AIR)

Over recent weeks Tucsonans watched as a major fire swept across the Santa Catalina Mountains, a rolling inferno that seemed to engulf most of the range. On the evening of June 5th a dry lightning storm sparked the fire that proceeded to roar from Pusch Ridge in the west to Redington Pass in the east, forcing the evacuation of thousands of people who live on the top and along the mountain foothills.

We all have questions regarding what transpired and what the future holds. Why did this fire get so large? What was the role of climate change and drought? How was wildlife impacted, especially desert bighorn sheep? What role did invasive species have in the extent of the fire at lower elevations? This three-part public webinar series by the Arizona Institutes for Resilience brings the expertise of our community to address these questions and more through live interactions to help us better understand the fire on the mountain.

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## Mark your calendars!

**Episode 1: The Event** 

Wednesday, August 5 at 6 p.m.

Register FREE for Episode 1

**Episode 2: The Aftermath** 

Wednesday, August 12 at 6 p.m.

Register FREE for Episode 2

**Episode 3: The Future Catalinas** 

Wednesday, August 19 at 6 p.m.

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Learn more about the episodes or see the recordings the next day on our <u>Fire on the Mountain webpage</u>. Once you've registered for the webinars, keep your unique link for each episode safe and accessible! You will need them to log on to view each webinar in the Fire on the Mountain series.