Why buy Flood insurance after a wildfire?

It may surprise you, but flooding is more likely to occur following a fire. Here's why:



PRE-WILDFIRE

Vegetation helps soil absorb water

WILDFIRE

Charred soil is a barrier that blocks water

RAIN

Water flows downhill or downstream of a burned area

FLASH FLOOD

Low-lying areas can flood in hours

MUDFLOWS

Watery mud and swift snowmelts can set off mudflows

