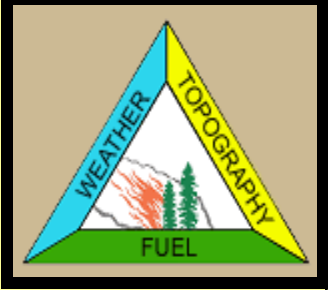




TOPIC 28
ASPECT



Aspect, the direction a slope faces, determines the amount of heating it gets from the sun and the amount, condition and type of fuels present. South and southwest slopes are normally more directly exposed to sunlight, generally have sparser, lighter fuels, higher temperatures, lower humidity, lower fuel moisture, and are the most critical in terms for the start and spread of wildland fire.

