What's the connection?

Temperatures are rising

Average annual temperatures in the Western US have increased 1.9°F since 1970.





Snow melts sooner

Winter snowpack melts up to 4 weeks earlier than in prevous decades.

Climate change is fueling wildfires. Here's how.

Fires are getting worse

Wildfires are larger and costlier than ever before, and their emissions are worsening global warming.



Forests are drier, longer

Ecosystems are primed for wildfires to ignite and spread.

You can help.

Fighting climate change is the best strategy we have to reduce the risk of wildfires. Until we take action, summers will continue getting hotter, forests will get drier, and more and more people will face the threat of wildfires.

Take action today. www.ucsusa.org/take-action/climate-impacts

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For more information, visit: www.ucsusa.org/resources/infographic-wildfires-and-climate-change