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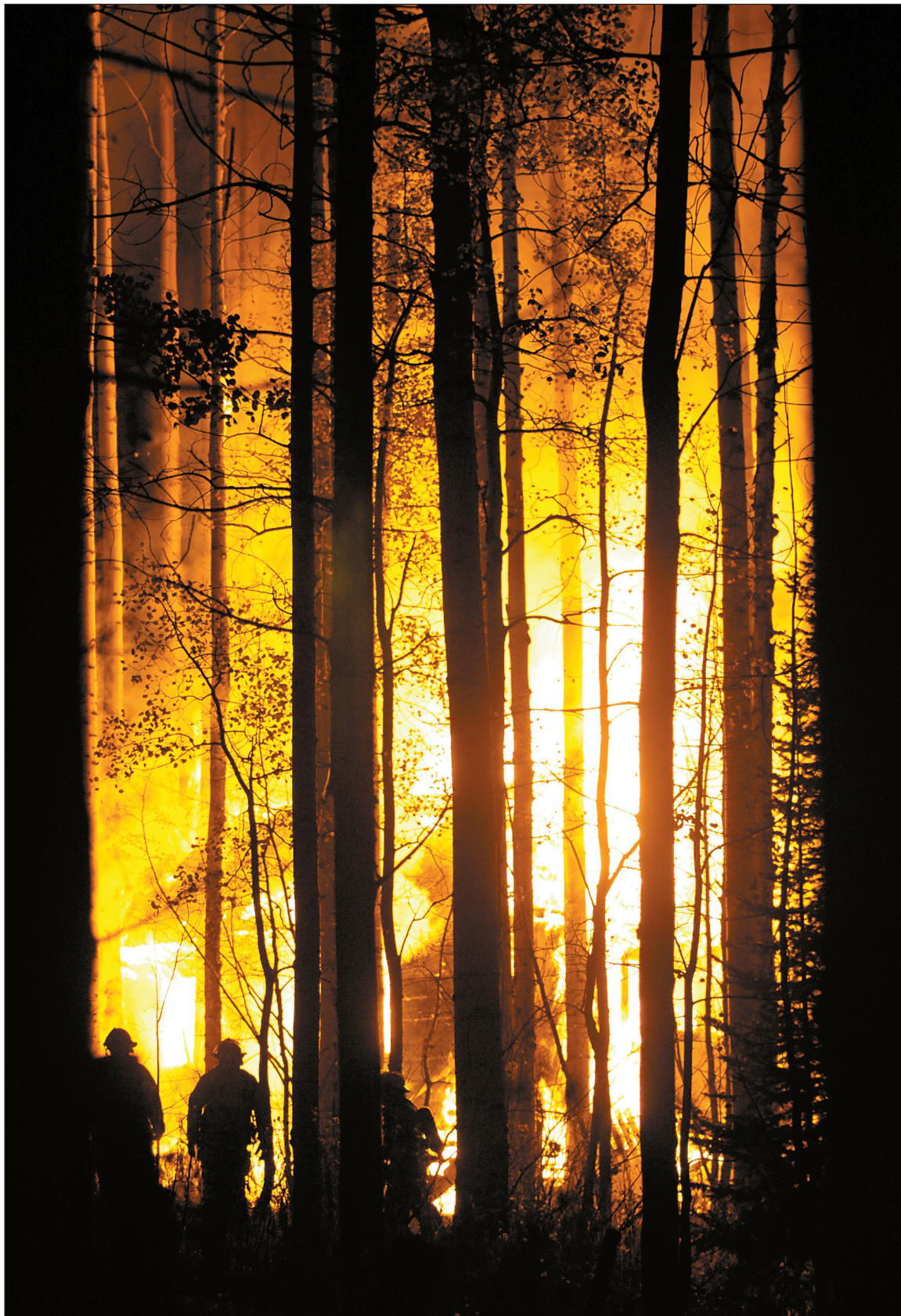
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Fire destroys cabin



MATT STENSLAND/STAFF

Steamboat Springs Fire Rescue firefighters tend to a fire that destroyed a cabin Wednesday evening along Routt County Road 36, about 1 mile from Strawberry Park Hot Springs. See story on page 3.

LEED plan leads way

City decision may be first of its kind

Brandon Gee
 PILOT & TODAY STAFF

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS

With its approval of the proposed Inspritu Verde project earlier this week, the city of Steamboat Springs unknowingly may have gone where no community has gone before.

Sandy Wiggins, a member of the U.S. Green Building Council's board of directors and its former chairman, said his research suggests Steamboat is the first municipality in the nation to consider green building practices as a public benefit that can offset requested variances to a development code.

"That really is a very unique public policy move," Wiggins said. "There are lots of public policy pieces at play across the country where green building is being (encouraged with incentives) or mandated. But this is a little bit different. ... I think it's a national first."

"I think it's appropriate," Wiggins continued, "and I really think it's kind of groundbreaking."

Wiggins said he is basing his opinion on consultation with the U.S. Green Building Council's

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 Drawings are held Monday through Saturday.

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 High of 65.
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