

Property owners.....Now is the time !

With the lack of significant rains and temperatures rising, Fire Agencies are expecting an earlier start to this year's Fire Season. There is early evidence already, indicating we are looking at another significant and early Wildfire Season.

Now is the time to get a "head start" on clearing your property before things really heat up. It makes more sense cleaning and clearing your property for a few hours or so.....than to spend weeks sifting through the ashes of a burned out home.

Here are some Lessons learned from both the 2018 RANCH FIRE (12 Cabins lost) and the more Recent 2020 AUGUST COMPLEX FIRE. Your LPFPD Firefighters spent numerous hours and days, working on your Defensible Space. Clearing your roofs & gutters, clearing your decks off, clearing under your decks and clearing around your Structures.....all to improve the potential survivability of your Cabin/Home/Trailer sites.

Examples of the work our Firefighters did to improve your Structures survivability are listed below. Please take advantage of this great weather to Improve your place....."from the top down".....and all around !

Clear the roof.....and gutters especially. Clear under your decks. Clear all the ground vegetation and limb up your Trees/Manzanita....30ft to 100ft away from *all* of your Structures.

- Remove dead and overhanging branches. Limb up trees 6ft, or higher.
- Clean all dead leaves and needles from your roof and gutters.
- Stack wood piles at least 30 feet from all your structures.
- Keep combustible lawn chairs, umbrellas and other canvas furniture a safe distance away from structures.
- Clear all vegetation and other combustible or flammable materials from beneath your decks.
- Identify at least two evacuation routes from your neighborhood.
- Designate an emergency meeting place outside your neighborhood.
- Immediately evacuate the area when ordered by Law Enforcement or Fire personnel.

In partnership with Cal Fire and the USFS, please contact Lake Pillsbury Fire Protection District for additional information on Defensible Space preparation in your area.

Defensible Space & Evacuation advise: https://www.instagram.com/p/B_2_Yn3A4vw/?igshid=fa8fkd7qttge

Defensible Space link: <https://www.readyforwildfire.org/prepare-for-wildfire/get-ready/defensible-space/>

Get your Burn Permit here: <https://form.jotform.com/203386038550151>

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