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- ✓ We installed Wildfire Evacuation Route signs on our two alternate evacuation routes, at the top of Wambli Lane and on Wapiti Road. Just a friendly reminder, these routes are on private property and are to be used **ONLY during emergency situations.**
- ✓ The EMRWPT has a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ), forms and other resources listed on the Elk Meadows Ranchettes Homeowners Association website at **Elkmeadows.org**, I'm a **Property Owner – How can I reduce Wildfire Risks.** Be patient, sometimes we are in the process of updating this site.
- ✓ The EMRWPT currently does not receive any outside funds but relies on donations from the neighborhood. If you would like to donate money to help pay for Wildfire Evacuation signs and office supplies, please contact EMRWPT.

WHAT YOU CAN DO AS A PROPERTY OWNER TO HELP YOUR PROPERTY AND OUR NEIGHBORHOOD SURVIVE MOST WILDFIRES:

- **Firewise® USA Volunteer Hourly Work Sheet: PLEASE** record the hours you worked removing natural vegetation from around your residence & other buildings as well as Firewise landscaping within 100ft of your residence/property on the **attached** Volunteer Hourly Work Sheet, from November 1, 2024, to November 1, 2025, This includes hours you have worked or contracted out. We get credit for all hours worked & costs to keep our Firewise® USA Community certification annually. **Please return this worksheet to EMRWPT, either by email or USPS mail, by November 1, 2025.** Removing natural vegetation from around your residence and property increases its wildfire survivability. Thanks!
- Here is the link to the Firewise Volunteer Hourly Worksheet,
https://www.elkmeadows.org/gallery/_2024EMRFirewiseVolunteerHourlyWorksheet043024Color.pdf.

For more information on the following subjects please go to the Elk Meadows Ranchettes website, **Elkmeadows.org**, **EMRWPT**. There you will find FAQ, links, forms and other resources (such as contractors, forms, letters that do mitigation work remove fuel) which you can download.

- ☐ **Review your property continually for Wildfire Home Ignition Zone Preparedness:** To help you review your property the Missoula County Fire Protection Association created a Top 10 Wildfire Preparedness Tips on YouTube, here's the YouTube link **<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ooSo9Xkpmss&t=103s>**
- ☐ **Request a Wildfire Risk Site Visit for your residence/property, dnrc.mt.gov/free-visit.**
- ☐ **Install a Reflective Address Sign,** if you have a decorative one consider adding a reflective one too.
- ☐ **Sign-up for Smart911, smart911.com.** Sign up here to receive Missoula County emergency alerts and evacuation information.
- ☐ **Clear areas around fire hydrants to ensure proper access and response.**
- ☐ **Thin your property along the roads,** at least 20ft from the road edge.
- ☐ **Burn or chip natural fuels on your property.**

If you are interested in joining the Elk Meadows Ranchettes Wildfire Preparedness Team, please let us know; we'd be happy to have you. For questions or to join EMRWPT, email EMRWPT.

Thank you!

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