



Invitation to Register

1st Annual
Pikes Peak Living With Wildfire
Workshop
April 6, 2013

El Paso County Citizens Center
1675 W. Garden of the Gods Road

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Who should attend?

Volunteer Firefighters
Community Leaders
Mitigation Contractors
Emergency Managers
Insurance Agents
Fire Prevention Officers

Why should you attend?

Learn how homes ignite
How to share the Firewise message
Networking
Best practices
Resources and tools

Seminar schedule and topics:

- 08:00 – Registration
- 08:30 – Introduction – Keith Worley, Pres. PPWPP
- 08:45 – Waldo Canyon presentation – Colorado Springs Fire Dept.
- 09:30 – Wildfire – Everyone’s Responsibility- Chris Barth, USFS/BLM
- 10:00 – Break
- 10:15 – Structure Ignitability- Keith Worley
- 11:00 – HIZ & Defensible Space- Conducting Wildfire Assessments
- 12:00 – Lunch – in house (box lunch included with registration)
- 1:00 – Panel Discussion – Partnering- USFS, CSFS, Community
- 2:00 – Break
- 2:15 – Communication – How to share the message – Randy Johnson, FM
- 3:00 – Recap/Tools- Firewise Communities and Ready! Set! Go!
- 3:30 – Send the incredibly motivated participants out to do great work

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Session Summaries:

Waldo Canyon Fire Presentation

Fire Marshal's Office, Colorado Springs Fire Department. This session will recap the most destructive wildfire in Colorado history. What worked and what didn't? Lessons learned will be shared with attendees.

Wildfire- Everyone's Responsibility

Chris Barth, Montrose Interagency Fire Management Unit. Are we in the age of the Mega-Fire? Fuel loading in our ecosystems is increasing along with the number of homes being built in the Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI). Chris, formerly with CSFD, will cover how homeowners and communities must take an increasing role and responsibility for preventing loss of structures.

Structure Ignitability

Keith Worley, Wildfire Mitigation Specialist, Forestree Development, LLC. USDA Forest Service, NFPA and IBHS research will be presented on how structures ignite, and how homeowners can take simple measures to reduce ignitions. A combination of videos and construction assemblies will be used to demonstrate how embers cause most ignitions. Structural hardening and landscaping, close to structures, will be covered.

HIZ and Defensible Space

Chief Bob Harvey, Black Forest Fire Rescue Dept. Home Ignition Zones (HIZ) concept and Defensible Spaces (D-Space) are important for reducing flame contact with flammable building materials. These zones are also important for firefighter safety. Appropriate fuel clearances for the given fuel type (grasses, brush and forest fuels) will be covered.

Partnering to Reduce Wildfire Risks

Panel Discussion with USFS, CSFS and Community representatives. An actual project area, around the Ridgewood Subdivision, north of Woodland Park will be used to demonstrate how fuel treatments can be unified across the landscape to reduce risks to life, property and natural resources.

Communicating the Firewise Message

Randy Johnson, Fire Marshal, Larkspur Fire Protection District. Randy will share his 12 years of experience working with all types of nay-sayers. Examples are: "That's why I have insurance"; "That's why I pay my property taxes for the fire department to save my house"; "I don't want to disturb the natural environment"; "If my property burns, I'll collect my insurance and move somewhere else". Perry Park, a Firewise Community for 11 years, will be used to show how a community can go from "Awareness" to "Sustained Behavior Change".

Awareness Raising Tools and Techniques for Homeowners and Communities

PPWPP Members. Firewise Communities, Ready! Set! Go!, CWPPs, Community Assessments, and CSFS materials will be covered as ways to promote both individual and community responsibility for wildfire hazard reduction. Property assessments will be covered as important learning tools to prepare homeowners for insurance company inspections. Additional training courses will also be recommended.

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Register Now!

You must **RSVP by March 29th** to attend. Class size is limited. Go to www.ppwpp.org to register on line with a credit card. Or you can pay by check. Include the following registration form with you check:

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or

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