Community Wildfire Preparedness Plan (CWPP)

Dear neighbors,

We are excited to tell you about an important program that is underway in Salt Lake City. The CWPP is a program that allows some of the work you do or pay for count toward a credit for our community. If you invest any personal man power or pay others to do work that makes your home more fire-wise, you can log that work/investment at this [LINK](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSczzS8ClFBiuae4O75S-p2ZmMDF9egdeLzhx3xXZea214Tg8Q/viewform), and it counts as a pooled sum. We use this pooled sum to establish a larger credit of funds available to prevent and put out any wild fires that occur around our homes. It is a great way to help our neighborhood get credit for the work that you would already do to make your home safer.

Don’t forget, embers from a wild fire can easily travel a mile or more, essentially putting every home in Capitol Hill at risk. Here are a few things that you can do to make your home and property more fire wise:

1. Clear debris out of your rain gutters: leaves and pine needles easily settle into your homes gutters, acting as tinder that can easily lead to fire in your eaves and roof
2. Trim low branches of the trees in your yard, cutting up to at least six feet off the ground: low branches are an easy mechanism for flames to travel quickly
3. Clear away trees and shrubs that touch your house: you will decrease the risk of your house catching fire if these fuels do not touch your house
4. Don’t EVER throw yard debris into open space: it is dangerous and illegal to throw branches, leaves and debris into the canyons that surround our neighborhood
5. Exercise extreme caution when using BBQs and fire pits: when possible, avoid open flams of all kinds, particularly on hot, windy days.

If you would like to schedule a free fire hazard property assessment with our fire captain, please let me know.

Thank you for your help and attention to ensuring that our homes and lives are protected from wild fire danger!

With regard,

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