¢KŜ California Required 3-Year Action Plan

Thank you for your efforts in protecting your community against wildfires. Whenever possible, seek guidance from your local fire official or your Firewise USA Regional Coordinator when completing this document. This collaboration can provide peace of mind, knowing that experienced recommendations are guiding your community's time and efforts.

Important Reminders:

- The goals for this plan **must** include the 'Recommendations' found on page 9 of the Firewise USA Risk Assessment document.
- As part of the annual renewal process, communities are required to host one outreach event per year and collaborate with neighbors to address items within the action plan, as mandated by NFPA Firewise USA.
- Defensible space is a legal requirement for all buildings and structures within California's State Responsibility Area, as mandated by Public Resource Code 4291, and for Local Governments located in designated Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones, as outlined in Government Code 51182. For communities outside these classifications, please consult your local fire authority to determine applicable defensible space regulations.

Completion Process:

1. **Document Header:** Enter the name of your Firewise Community.
2. **Document Header:** Select the appropriate 3-year span for this action plan. For new applications, the 3-Year Action Plan starts the year after recognition, as current year actions are part of your application.
3. **Community Description:** Enter a brief description of your community. An example has been provided, but please replace it with your own community description. Please only use the space provided.
4. **Goals:** Review the example goals provided on page 1. In the spaces provided, please list 3-5 goals per section. Goals should be obtainable, measurable, and build from the previous year.
5. **Completion Checklist:** Please be sure to complete the completion checklist on page 8.
6. **Submission:** Once the document is completed it can be uploaded and submitted through the NFPA Firewise USA Portal.

Helpful Links:

NFPA Firewise USA, "Find examples of activities that count towards your investment"
CAL FIRE Defensible Space
Ready for Wildfire
California Department of Insurance, Safer from Wildfire Information.

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Date Completed: 10/10/26

Action Plan Goals

Education and Outreach Goals:

- Goals should empower residents with wildfire preparedness knowledge and resources through educational campaigns, brochures, and community events. These efforts will foster shared responsibility and collaboration to safeguard properties from wildfires.

Goal: Organize a community outreach event to engage residents and provide learning experiences related to wildfire.

Home Hardening Goals:

- Goals should encourage residents to adopt wildfire-resistant home measures, such as using fire-resistant materials, replacing vent screens with smaller openings, and adding non-combustible fences and double-paned windows.

Goal: Encourage residents to use fire resistant materials and provide low-cost alternatives.

Defensible Space | Fuel Reduction Goals:

- Goals should create and maintain defensible space to reduce wildfire risks by clearing combustible vegetation, maintaining a well-watered landscape, and regularly cleaning roofs and gutters. Community events like chipper days encourage yard waste disposal, while fuel treatment and educating about Zone Zero enhance fire prevention and proactive property protection.

Goal: Work on fuel treatment and maintenance efforts to strategically reduce hazardous fuels from the community.

Evacuation Planning and Wildfire Preparedness Goals:

- The goal is to enhance community-wide strategies for safety during wildfire emergencies by creating accessible evacuation maps, conducting evacuation drills with local agencies, and encouraging residents to join communication plans and sign up for emergency alerts. These efforts will familiarize residents with evacuation routes, reduce confusion, and improve efficiency during emergencies.

Goal: Partner with local stakeholders to conduct yearly community-wide evacuation drills to ensure familiarization.

Acknowledgement

☑ I fully understand the instructions outlined on the "How to utilize the California Required 3-Year Action Plan" Page.

Start Your Action Plan Here

Please enter a brief description of your community. Review and replace the example shown below

Woodridge Lake Estates is located in a high-risk Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) and a state responsibility area (SRA) monitored by CAL FIRE. It is part of the larger Shingletown, CA community, lying in the foothills of the Cascade Mountain region, and bordered by CA State Route 44 on the north.

This Wildfire Action Plan was developed with input from our initial risk assessment performed in the fall of 2026. The initial efforts of the plan are directed at educating our community on home hardening, creating defensible spaces, and emphazing the need for wildfire preparation/evacuation plans, thereby, helping our community and surrounding area become more wildfire resilient.

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Action Plan Year 1

Education and Outreach Goals

During the fall, conduct an annual community-wide education event focused on home hardening, defensible space/fuel reduction, and wildfire preparedness/evacuation.

Develop a Woodridge Firewise webpage containing resource links and educational material.

Develop a community contact database (e.g., resident names, emails, phone numbers).

Draft both an online and hard copy form for reporting Firewise work hours and expenses. Educate the community on the use of both.

Home Hardening Goals

Emphazise the wildfire (and home insurance) benefits of home hardening. Discuss the importance of keeping embers out/away from the home.

Encourage the use of non-combustible materials for siding, decks, fencing, and roofs. Provide residents with the CAL-Fire Low-Cost Retrofit list.

Encourage residents to install non-combustible skirting under decks and steps, replace combustible attachments (e.g., fences, decks, steps, etc.) with non-combustible materials, and install a minimum of 1/8-inch metal mesh (or fire-rated mesh) on attic, gable, and foundation vents.

Encourage residents to continue to keep roofs and gutters clean.

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Action Plan Year 1

Defensible Space / Fuel Reduction Goals

Encourage residents to utilize the Shasta County Fire Safe Council (SCFSC) Defensible Space Chipping program and the Shingletown Slash Day program.

Immediate Zone/Zone 0 (0-5 ft): Emphasize the importance of maintaining this area as a combustible free zone. Encourage residents to: (1) Remove all dead vegetation, dried leaves, pine needles, and ground debris near foundations; (2) Relocate wood piles to an area > 30 ft from the home; (3) Replace wood mulch products with non-combustible alternatives (e.g., crushed stone/gravel/rock); (4) Trim/prevent trees and shrubs from entering the area under the roof eaves; (5) Trim/prevent tree branches from overhanging the roof and keeping them > 10 ft from chimneys.

Intermediate Zone/Zone 1 (5-30 ft): Encourage residents to: (1) Utilize landscaping and fuel breaks (areas of non-combustible materials such as dirt, cement, or rock) to help reduce the impacts of a wildfire; (2) Spread out vegetation by limiting trees and shrubs to small clusters to break up fuel loads; (3) At a minimum, trim/prune trees up to 6 ft off the ground (1/3 of the overall tree height for shorter trees); (4) Remove ladder fuels to the maximum extent practical; (5) Maintain lawns and native grasses to a 4 inch height.

Extended Zone/Zone 2 (30–100 ft): Encourage residents to remove ladder fuels, thin trees, and maintain distance between tree crowns.

Common Areas: Continue annual removal of ladder fuels at the community lake picnic/dock/dam areas and the pump house.

Undeveloped lots: Encourage owners to thin and reduce ladder fuels on their properties.

Evacuation Planning (Ex. Preparedness & Routing) and Wildfire Preparedness

Familiarize residents with the CAL-FIRE "Ready, Set, Go! Your Personal Wildfire Action Plan".

Encourage residents to prepare a written evacuation plan and prepare "go-bags" with essential items for both family members and pets/animals.

Encourage residents to download both the Watch Duty and the Genasys Protect Apps, along with signing up for the AlertShasta public warning system.

Promote the installation of reflective address signs (4 inch minimum numbering with contrasting colors) visible from both directions of travel.

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Action Plan Year 2

Education and Outreach Goals

During the fall, conduct the annual community-wide education event focused on home hardening, defensible space/fuel reduction, and wildfire preparedness/evacuation.

Maintain/update the Woodridge Firewise webpage containing resource links and educational material.

Maintain/update the community contact database (e.g., resident names, emails, phone numbers).

Maintain/update both the online and hard copy form for reporting Firewise work hours and expenses. Educate new residents on the use of both.

Coordinate meetings/events with other local Firewise communities.

Home Hardening Goals

Continue to encourage:

- the use of non-combustible materials for siding, decks, fencing, and roofs,
- installing non-combustible skirting under decks and steps,
- replacing combustible attachments (e.g., fences, decks, steps, etc.) with non-combustible materials,
- installing a minimum of 1/8-inch metal mesh (or fire-rated mesh) on attic, gable, and foundation vents, and,
- keeping roofs and gutters clean.

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Action Plan Year 2

Defensible Space / Fuel Reduction Goals

Continue to encourage residents to utilize the Shasta County Fire Safe Council (SCFSC) Defensible Space Chipping program and the Shingletown Slash Day program.

Immediate Zone/Zone 0 (0-5 ft): Continue to emphasize the importance of maintaining this area as a combustible free zone. Remind residents of the Title 14 CCR Defensible Space Zone 0 requirements.

Intermediate Zone/Zone 1 (5-30 ft): Continue to encourage residents to: (1) Utilize landscaping and fuel breaks to help reduce the impacts of a wildfire; (2) Remove ladder fuels, trim/prune/thin trees, and maintain distance between tree crowns.

Extended Zone/Zone 2 (30–100 ft): Continue to encourage residents to: (1) Remove ladder fuels, trim/prune/thin trees, and maintain distance between tree crowns; (2) Ensure exposed wood piles have a minimum of 10 feet clearance, down to bare soil, in all directions.

Common Areas: Continue annual removal of ladder fuels at the community lake picnic/dock/dam areas and the pump house.

Undeveloped lots: Continue to encourage owners to thin and reduce ladder fuels on their properties.

Evacuation Planning (Ex. Preparedness & Routing) and Wildfire Preparedness

Re-familiarize residents with the CAL-FIRE "Ready, Set, Go! Your Personal Wildfire Action Plan".

Encourage residents to review/update their written evacuation plan and to restock their "go-bags" with essential items for both family members and pets/animals.

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Action Plan Year 3

Education and Outreach Goals

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Maintain/update the community contact database (e.g., resident names, emails, phone numbers).

Maintain/update both the online and hard copy form for reporting Firewise work hours and expenses. Educate new residents on the use of both.

Coordinate meetings/events with other local Firewise communities.

Home Hardening Goals

Continue to encourage:

- the use of non-combustible materials for siding, decks, fencing, and roofs,
- installing non-combustible skirting under decks and steps,
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Action Plan Year 3

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Immediate Zone/Zone 0 (0-5 ft): Emphasize the need to maintain this area as a combustible free zone. Remind residents of the Title 14 CCR Defensible Space Zone 0 requirements.

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Action Plan Completion Check List

- ✔ Has this plan been completed according to the instructions outlined in the introduction page.
- ✔ Has the Community Name in the document header been updated?
- ✔ Has the appropriate year span been selected in the document header?
- ✔ Has the "Date Completed" been filled out in the document header?
- ✔ Has the Community Description, on page one(1), been updated?
- ✔ For each section, have 3-5 obtainable and measurable goals been identified?
- ✔ Are the goals progressive, building upon those completed in previous years?
- ✔ Has a phased approach to Defensible Space been avoided to maintain compliance?
- ✔ Does this plan include 'Recommendations' found on page 9 of the Firewise USA Risk Assessment document.