

# Douglass Ranch POA

## Firewise Committee Exploratory Meeting March 27, 2017



# DR FW Exploratory Mtg - Agenda

- Purpose
  - To form a Firewise Community
- Goals
  - Mitigate community-wide wildfire threats
- Benefits
  - Greater safety with regard to wildfire threats
  - Insurance
  - Neighborhood value
- Topics for Discussion & Thought
  - Firewise plan
    - Homeowner and Community level
- Desired Outcomes
  - Firewise Committee / Board members
  - Firewise plan forward

# Nearby FW Communities

- Reference URLs

National Fire Protection Association	<a href="http://www.nfpa.org/">http://www.nfpa.org/</a>
Firewise Communities	<a href="http://www.firewise.org/">http://www.firewise.org/</a>
Colorado State Forest Service	<a href="https://csfs.colostate.edu/">https://csfs.colostate.edu/</a>

- Nearby Firewise Communities

- ref: <https://csfs.colostate.edu/wildfire-mitigation/colorado-firewise-communities/>

Jefferson County	Broken Arrow (2009)	
	Conifer Mountain (2016)	
	Elk Falls Ranch (2010)	<a href="http://www.elkfallspoa.org/">http://www.elkfallspoa.org/</a>
	Genesee Foundation (2002)	
	Ken-Caryl Ranch (2015)	
	Preserve at Pine Meadows (2013)	<a href="https://www.pinemeadowshoa.org/">https://www.pinemeadowshoa.org/</a>
	Ridge at Hiwan (2015)	
	Sampson Road Association (2015)	
	Valley Hi Estates (2013)	
	West Ranch (2015)	
	Woodside Park Units 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 (2014)	

# Nearby FW Communities

- Nearby Firewise Communities (cont'd)

Park County	Deer Creek Valley Ranchos (2007)	
	Elk Creek Highlands & Meadows POA (2010)	<a href="https://echpoa.wordpress.com/firewise/">https://echpoa.wordpress.com/firewise/</a>
	Indian Mountain (2012)	
	KZ Ranch Mountain Community (2012)	
	Stagestop (2013)	
	Wildwood Recreation Village (2015)	

# DR FW Community Recognition

- The five steps of Firewise recognition
  - Obtain a wildfire risk assessment as a written document from your state forestry agency or fire department.
  - Form a board or committee, and create an action plan based on the assessment.
  - Conduct a “Firewise Day” event.
  - Invest a minimum of \$2 per capita in local Firewise actions for the year.
  - Submit an application to our state Firewise liaison.
  - [ Annual renewal ]
- “Invest” explanation
  - For Douglass Ranch:
    - $2.5 \text{ residents/house} \times 42 \text{ homes} \times \$2 \text{ min per resident} = \$210 \text{ min “investment” for Douglass Ranch}$
  - FW Committee maintains a summation of work of community members and FW Board (annually)
  - Purchased tools count toward “investment”
  - Example: Douglass Ranch Community Effort:
    - 5 volunteers put in 2 hours each (annually) clearing slash
    - $\$23.56 \times 5 \times 2 = \$235.60$
    - \$235 exceeds the \$210 minimum required annual “investment”
  - Use hourly rate of \$23.56 [ref: US Bureau of Labor Statistics]

# FWC Application

## Firewise Communities/USA® 2017 New Community Application



The \_\_\_\_\_ community,  
*(Insert Community or Neighborhood Name as it should be used in the listing of active communities and on the personalized recognition materials)*  
located in \_\_\_\_\_, in \_\_\_\_\_, in the State of \_\_\_\_\_,  
*(Insert Name of City/Town) (Insert Name of County) (Insert Name of State)*

is applying for national recognition for our on-going wildfire risk reduction commitment through the Firewise Communities/USA® program. There are \_\_\_\_\_ full and part time residents in the community. We acknowledge renewal criteria must be met annually to continue participation in the program, if that criteria is not met, we will voluntarily remove our Firewise street signage.

Our community's latitude and longitude is: \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. Use an address close  
*(Latitude) (Longitude)*  
to the center of the community to report this information. (<http://touchmap.com/latlong.html> can be used to find the latitude and longitude)

### The following documents need to accompany the application when submitted to the state liaison:

- Community Risk Assessment
- Multi-year Action Plan
- Names and email addresses for the Board/Committee Members overseeing development and implementation of the community action plan and the annual renewal process
- List of outreach materials used for the Educational Outreach event/activity

### **Section A: Community's Primary Point of Contact\***

First and Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Street Mailing Address where UPS pkgs can be delivered: \_\_\_\_\_

If applicable, P. O. Box: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_ Landline #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Secondary Point of Contact\***

First and Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Street Mailing Address where UPS pkgs can be delivered: \_\_\_\_\_

If applicable, P. O. Box: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_ Landline #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Please note: An email address for both the primary and secondary point of contact is required. The primary point of contact will receive correspondence from the national Firewise program staff.**

**Section B: Partnership Information** - If applicable, provide information on who helped develop the community risk assessment, or is working with the community to provide assistance in meeting the program's criteria:

## Community Application

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# Firewise Application Reqmts

- FWC application

ref: <http://www.firewise.org/usa-recognition-program.aspx>

- Requires

- Multi-year action plan
    - An educational / outreach activity
    - Community risk assessment (Done)
    - Per capita mitigation investment

# Firewise Homeowner Tasks

- Homeowner tasks: Learn and Act
  - DR Community Assessment <http://www.douglassranch.org/>
    - Section 11 “Simple steps for getting started”
  - ECFD: Firewise [http://www.elkcreekfire.org/ECFD/Fire\\_Wise.html](http://www.elkcreekfire.org/ECFD/Fire_Wise.html)
  - ECFD: Evac Guide
    - [http://www.elkcreekfire.org/ECFD/Welcome\\_files/EvacGuide06-05.pdf](http://www.elkcreekfire.org/ECFD/Welcome_files/EvacGuide06-05.pdf)
  - Ready Set Go
    - <http://www.wildlandfirersg.org/Portals/18/Resources/Resources/EAG%20V6.pdf>
  - Animal Plan <https://www.readycolorado.com/plan/animal-plan>
  - Reverse 911 signup <http://911colorado.org/emergency-notification-service/>
  - Firewise Checklist for Homeowners
    - <http://www.firewise.org/wildfire-preparedness/firewise-toolkit.aspx>



# Firewise Community Tasks

- Community tasks
  - DR Community Assessment <http://www.douglassranch.org/>
    - Sections 6 “Recommendations” and 9 “Next Steps”
  - Slash removal via ECFD chipper
  - Pursue Federal & State grants
  - Implement fuel breaks (e.g.: DR “Open Space acreage”)
  - Jeffco road easement clearing (20 ft)
  - ECFD Re-assessment
    - Andrew Moyle has taken a new job. Anticipating replacement in a month

# Firewise Next Steps

- Next Steps

- Form a FW Committee / Board

- FW Board to agree on a written long term plan
    - FW Board to agree on this year's goal(s)

- Community Event
      - Community Training

- Tally Community 'Investment'

- Submit FW Community application

- Possible Assistance:

- Elk Creek FD
  - Colorado State Forest Service
  - All of us in Douglass Ranch

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	03/17/17					
2						
3	My Firewise Account Spreadsheet					
4						
5	Date	Task	Time Spent (hours)	Equipment purchased	Cost	Copy of receipt?
6	03/08/17			Hedge trimmer	35.48	yes
7	03/16/17	clear shrubs	1			
8	03/17/17	clear shrubs, move rocks to enable lawn mowing	1			
9	03/18/17	clear shrubs, move rocks to enable lawn mowing	1			
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# Sidenotes: Interesting Information

- Video: Your Home Can Survive a Wildfire
  - <http://www.nfpa.org/public-education/by-topic/wildfire-and-seasonal-fires/wildland-fires>
- Remax offers a Bird's Eye View of DR Neighborhood
  - Gives you an aerial picture of your tree density
  - <http://www.remax.com/realestatehomesforsale/32304-meadow-ridge-ln-pine-co-80470-gid500013079633.html>
  - Drag picture to your part of the neighborhood

