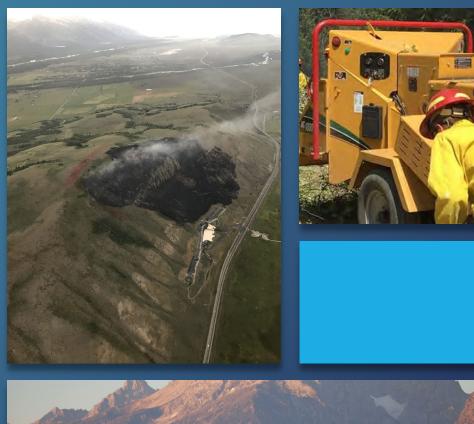
Neighborhood Wildfire Ambassador Programs

Greater Yellowstone Wildfire Protection Coalitions - 2021





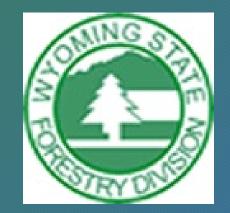
A Neighborhood Approach in Wildfire Risk Reduction

Welcome to the Wildfire Ambassador Program Overview











Alpine Area Wildfire Protection Coalition

Bureau of Land Management

- Alpine Fire
- Swan Valley, ID Fire
- Lincoln & Bonneville County Emergency Management
- WY State Forestry
- Bridger-Teton National Forest
- Star Valley Conservation District
- Private Landowners and Land Management Contractors
- WY Game and Fish
- Caribou-Targhee National Forest
- High Country RC&D







Island Park Sustainable Fire Community

- We are a 501c3 organization collaborating with public land agencies and engaging with private landowners to raise awareness about the risk of wildfires and to create a fireresilient community.
- We provide
 - education and outreach
 - wildfire risk assessments
 - slash pick-up events
 - professional fuels reduction









Find us on Facebook

Website: www.islandparkfirecommunity.com

Teton Area Wildfire Protection Coalition

- Teton County Emergency Management
- Teton Conservation District
- Teton County
- Nature Conservancy
- Jackson Hole Fire/EMS
- Bridger-Teton NF
- Grand Teton NP
- Caribou-Targhee NF
- Wyoming State Forestry
- U.S. Fish & Wildlife National Elk Refuge
- Teton Science School
- Contractors
- Private Landowners

Teton County, Wyoming Community Wildfire Protection Plan Developed by the Teton Area Wildfire Protection Coalition









<u>fireadapted</u> <u>network</u>







Wildfire Ambassador Program

The Wildfire Ambassador Program is a volunteer community-approach that leverages ambassadors who lead by example and promote fire safety within their neighborhoods, while encouraging awareness, action, and preparedness for wildfires.

Short cut to information in mitigation



Wildfire Ambassador Program (WAP)

WAP are volunteers who commit to:

1. Educating and mobilizing their neighborhoods around wildfire mitigation, wildfire safety and preparedness

2. They link residents with advice,

 -wildfire information,
 -And technical assistance
 from firefighting and land
 management agencies

AMBASSADOR VISION

Encourage neighborhoods to work collectively towards building a more fireadapted community.

Wildfire Ambassador Program (WAP)

AMBASSADOR GOALS

- Message about defensible space and hardened homes
- Link neighbors to experts, help support relationships
- Educate and provide resources & preparedness information
- Educate, promote and inform on Ready, Set, GO!

Wildfire Ambassador Program

Ambassadors receive:

- Training
- Support
- Ongoing education
- Access to wildfire and forest health experts,
- Notice of grant and funding opportunities



Coalition Ambassador Coordinators Our Role

- Coordinate County Wildfire
 Ambassador Program
- Promote program and recruit
 new volunteers
- Educate and provide resources & preparedness information
- Connect Ambassador's and neighborhoods with the resources they need to educate residents to build a more fire- adapted community



Area Wildfire Protection Coalitions and Our Role

- Provide specialized training & education to Ambassadors, homeowners & neighborhoods
- Conduct Home Overviews
- Provide educational material and advice
- Advise on grant and funding opportunities
- Plan educational meetings and workshops
- Connect Ambassadors with local and federal agency partners
- And so much more....
- Community Mitigation Website





Teton Conservation District -Neighborhood Wildfire Protection Program



<u>Hidden Hills Ranches Video</u>

Ambassador Shares of Lessons Learned







WiRe

The WiRē Center builds on the findings and the approach of the WiRē Team, a decade-plus partnership between wildfire practitioners and researchers focusing on new approaches to integrating local social science into wildfire education and mitigation programs.



Home Ignition Zone - Risk Evaluations



• Rapid Risk Assessment: Neighborhood level evaluations. Identifies risks associated with homes, defensible space, and aggregate of neighborhood hazards. A curbside approach.



• Wildfire Risk Overview: Homeowner parcel level wildfire risk overview. Overview of individual home and defensible space. Collaboration with homeowner.

Home Ignition Zones - NFPA Firewise



• Structural Ignitibility: Roof composition, siding, vents, decks, attachments, etc. (Think embers!)

• Immediate Zone 1: 0 - 5 feet NO ZONE. Focus on noncombustible area closest to home.

• Intermediate Zone 2: 5 - 30 feet. Vegetation defensible space area.

• Extended Zone 3: 30 - 100 feet. Vegetation defensible space areas to 100 feet, and beyond.

More to come March 11 workshop !

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