



West Metro Fire Rescue

2022 Wildfire Mitigation & Preparedness Resources

- 1) West Metro Fire Webpage
 - a. <https://www.westmetrofire.org/978/Wildfire-Safety>
 - i. Community Wildfire Protection Plan
 - ii. Interactive map for personal address and interactive community wildfire risk rating for neighborhood “hazard zones”
 - iii. Firewise Toolkit
 1. Brochure on How to Prepare Your Home for a Wildfire
 - iv. Ready, Set, Go Personal Action Plan
 1. National program and brochure tailored for WMFR
 2. This is an older resource for us but still applicable. The obvious updates needed are fire loss statistics for Colorado with exponential growth of destructive fires over the last 5 years (Spring Creek, Cameron Peak, East Troublesome and Marshall Fires to name a few)
 - v. Fire Adapted Communities
 1. Resources for community wide efforts

- 2) Sign up for Code Red
 - a. For all emergency notifications and evacuations for wildfire and all-hazard events
 - i. Jefferson County
 1. <https://www.jeffco.us/sheriff>
 2. <https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/en-US/655AC5D55998>
 - ii. Douglas County
 1. <https://www.dcsheiff.net/emergency-preparedness/>
 2. <https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/en-US/84B13CCD6B41>

- 3) Prepare your home and family for immediate evacuation with the “6 P’s”
 1. People and Pets
 2. Plastic – credit/debit cards and cash
 3. Papers, phone numbers and important documents
 4. Prescriptions, vitamins and eye glasses
 5. Pictures and irreplaceable memorabilia
 6. Personal computers and storage disks/drives

- 4) Mitigate your home and trim nearby vegetation
 - a. Follow the guidelines in our Ready, Set, Go brochure that outlines actions to take
 - i. Zone 1/Immediate Zone: 0-5 feet from your home
 - ii. Zone 2/Intermediate Zone: 5-30 feet from your home
 - iii. Zone 3/Extended Zone: 30-100 feet and beyond to your property line
 - iv. Zone distances have changed over the years and between Firewise program and Ready Set Go program guidance. Following the home hardening and property mitigation guidelines together prepare for success
 - v. Communicate with your neighbors on adjacent properties and shared vegetation issues

- 5) Follow West Metro Fire on Social Media for up to date information, videos, training and education tips
 - a. Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WestMetroFireRescue/>
 - i. IAFF 1309: <https://www.facebook.com/IAFF1309/>
 - b. Twitter: <https://twitter.com/WestMetroFire>
 - c. Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/westmetrofire/?hl=en>
 - d. YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/westmetrofire>
 - i. Wildfire Safety and Preparation Video Playlist
 - ii. <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLo512INF3hxWKmqvmliz9JW5gEfnyBN62>

- 6) Engage in community homeowner meetings and get involved
 - a. Discuss a community evacuation plan and routes that will be taken
 - b. Discuss family meeting locations
 - c. Know of any evacuation routes and gates that are established in your community
 - d. Know that evacuations will primarily be a LAW ENFORCEMENT function and directions for evacuations will come from them and be directed by them. The FIRE DEPARTMENT will have input at the unified command post but our primary responsibility will be fire suppression