



The Network Pulse
Bringing Fire Adapted Communities Together

Welcome to the April 2019 Pulse Newsletter. The Network pulse highlight's May's wildfire awareness month and some new grant opportunities available from the Nevada Division of Forestry.

May is Nevada Wildfire Awareness Month



Every May local, state, and federal firefighting agencies along with University of Nevada Cooperative Extension's Living With Fire Program promote Nevada Wildfire Awareness Month

(NWAM). The purpose of NWAM is to increase awareness of the wildfire threat and to encourage vulnerable communities to be prepared. This year's theme is "**Wildfires Happen. Is your Community Prepared?**" The following is a list of state-wide events:

May 3, 2019 – Eureka Firewise Community Day, Eureka Firehouse, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., 1051 N. Main St. Hwy 50 in Eureka <http://www.livingwithfire.info/events/eureka-county-firewise-community-event>

May 4, 2019 – Crescent Valley Firewise Community Day, C.V. Fairgrounds, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Tenabo St. in Crescent Valley <http://www.livingwithfire.info/events/firewise-community-day-crescent-valley>

May 4, 2019 - Junk the Junipers, 8 a.m. – 1p.m. at two locations:

· Lot adjacent to Truckee Meadows Fire Station #430 – Silver Lake, Reno, NV

<http://www.livingwithfire.info/events/junk-the-junipers-silverlake>

· Nevada Division of Forestry, 885 East Lake BLVD, Washoe Valley

<http://www.livingwithfire.info/events/junk-the-junipers-washoe-valley>

May 4, 2019 – Smith Valley Fire Protection District Open House, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., SVFPD Station 40, 1 Hardie Lane in Smith Valley <http://www.livingwithfire.info/events/smith-valley-fire-protection-district-open-house>

May 5, 2019 – Ember House Activity at Children's Day on the Comstock, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., 106 Carson St. in Virginia City <http://www.livingwithfire.info/events/childrens-day-on-the-comstock>

May 11, 2019 – Douglas County CERT Safety Day, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Lampe Park, 1324 Waterloo Lane in Gardnerville <http://www.livingwithfire.info/events/douglas-county-cert-safety-day-at-lampe-park>

May 17, 2019 – Nevada Fire Board Meeting and Public Q & A Session, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., Aces Stadium 250 Lounge, 250 Evans Ave Suite 203 in Reno <http://www.livingwithfire.info/events/nevada-fire-board-meeting-and-public-qa-session>

May 18, 2019 – Reno Rodeo 100th Anniversary Celebration Reno Aces VS. Tacoma Rainers, 6:35 p.m. Aces Stadium, 250 Evans Ave in Reno <http://www.livingwithfire.info/events/reno-aces-vs-tacoma-rainers>

May 18, 2019 – Juniper Toss Activity at Celebrate Washoe Valley, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Washoe Lake State Park – 4855 East Lake Blvd in Carson City <http://www.livingwithfire.info/events/celebrate-washoe-valley-3>

May 25, 2019 – Guns & Hoses 4th Annual Sporting Clay Competition, 8 a.m. Capital City Gun Club in Carson, <http://www.livingwithfire.info/events/guna-hoses-4th-annual-sporting-clay-competition>

June 1, 2019 – Mt. Charleston Pine Needle Pick up, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., Mt. Charleston Fire Protection District Station 853, in Mt. Charleston, <http://www.livingwithfire.info/events/pine-needle-pick-up>

NDF Reopening Pre-Proposal Period for Wildfire

Fuel Reduction Grant Program



NDF is reopening the pre-proposal period for the Western State Fire Managers grant program. Pre-proposals are for projects that mitigate wildfire risk within Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) areas. Pre-Proposals should address issues identified in your Community Wildfire Protection Plans (CWPP) or other wildfire mitigation planning documents, the broad goals within Nevada's Forest Action Plan, and demonstrate collaborative interagency planning and implementation coupled with citizen ownership.

The types of allowed projects focus on achieving these goals through:

- Reducing Hazardous Fuels and Restoring Fire-adapted Ecosystems
- Improving Mitigation Education in the Interface
- Community Wildfire Protection Planning

Eligible applicants include State and local agencies, tribes, non-profit organizations, companies, homeowners associations and educational institutions. Emphasis is on hazard fuel reduction, restoration of fire adapted ecosystems, prevention education and community wildfire protection planning.

Pre-Proposals for the programs are due on May 30th, 2019. More information on these grant programs can be found at <http://forestry.nv.gov/grants/>. A pre-proposal instructional guide can be found [here](#). If your community requires assistance with preparing a grant proposal please contact the Network Coordinator at MBeaudoin@Forestry.NV.Gov or at 775-684-2519 or Mike Vollmer, NDF Cooperative Forestry and Fire Supervisor at MVollmer@Forestry.NV.Gov or at 775-684-2511.

Annual Junk the Junipers event set for May 4th



The Bureau of Land Management, Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District, Moana Nursery, NDF, and University of Nevada Cooperative Extension will hold the Junk the Junipers event once again this year on May 4 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Residents can bring ornamental junipers or other woody vegetation to one of two collection sites for FREE. Participants will also receive a coupon for 20% off of a Moana Nursery replacement shrub.

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Smith Valley Residents Host Wildfire Preparedness Seminar



BLM Fire Ecologist, Keith Baker, discusses the importance of becoming a fire adapted community

The new Upper Colony Network Community Chapter held an informational meeting on wildfire preparedness on April 9th. The meeting was held at the Smith Valley library and featured speakers from the Bureau of Land Management, Nevada Network of Fire Adapted Communities, and community members.

Keith Barker, Fire Ecologist for the BLM Carson City District provided information on some of the BLM projects in the area that are mitigating the risk of wildfire. Keith also provided information on the importance of becoming a community chapter within the Nevada Network.

Michael Beaudoin, Network Coordinator, gave an overview of the Network and provided information on home hardening and defensible space management. Michael worked with several attendees to complete a new chapter application for the Upper Colony area of Smith Valley. Last year's Upper Colony Fire encouraged the residents to unite and address the threat wildfire poses. The Network advisory board approved the Upper Colony community chapter application at the 5th annual Network conference on April 22nd

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