



## EL DORADO HILLS, CA

- LAKEHILLS ESTATES - A FIREWISE COMMUNITY
- SOUTHPOINTE - A FIREWISE COMMUNITY
- LAKERIDGE OAKS - A FIREWISE COMMUNITY

April 2019

# Lakehills Fire Safe Council Community Bulletin

Promoting Fire Safe Communities

### Next Council Meeting:

**Tues., April 9th, 7 pm**  
**Topic: US Forest lands' fuel mitigation projects**

EDH Fire Department  
Main Station #85  
El Dorado Hills Blvd. and  
Wilson Blvd.

### Firewise Event:

**Sunday, May 5, 3-6 pm**  
**Neighborhood gathering & BBQ. Celebrate nationally recognized Lakehills / Southpointe AND Lakeridge Oaks Firewise USA Communities. More details to arrive at your door!**

Please select Lakehills Fire Safe Council as your charity choice on **Amazon Smile**. Thanks to those who already partner which makes a donation to the Fire Safe Council...every time you buy... Thanks!



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### Reporting Numbers to Call

Report non-desired activities in a proper and timely fashion.

- Report illegal parking or traffic problems to the Highway Patrol (916) 861-1300.
- Report illegal parkland activities to State Parks (916) 358-1300.
- Report illegal activity on non-park properties to the Sheriff (530) 621-6600.

## Local Projects by US Forest Service

The forests of California are plentiful, sitting at approximately 33 million acres. Federal agencies (including the USDA Forest Service and USDI Bureau of Land Management and National Park Service) own and manage 19 million acres (57%). **Our speaker on April 9th is Laurence Crabtree, Forest Service Supervisor for Eldorado National Forest,** and the topic is fuel reduction projects on federal lands in El Dorado Co. Please join us!

## US Forest Service - national wildfire challenges

NFPA Journal (March April 2019 edition) shares a conversation between NFPA's Jesse Roman and USFS Chief Vicki Christiansen in an article called "Hot Seat".



In a question about strategies, Christiansen stated "...it's more about an entire approach in how we look at risk and share risk. That approach is encapsulated in the [National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy](#), which has three major goals. One, we must work on creating resilient landscapes. The second priority is to create fire-adapted communities. The third is rethinking our response so that we have a risk-based response to fire."

Another question asked by Roman: "hand in hand with treating the landscape is the need for fire-adapted communities, which are communities built and maintained with ignition resistance. How can we make sure this happens?" Christiansen's replied, "It's an all-hands-on-deck effort. We need to be influencing down to local homeowners, builders, realtors, community developers, community planners, elected officials, state legislators, the insurance industry—the list goes on and on. We need to convey to all of them that this is our new normal, and that we cannot assure any community that wildland fire isn't going to be part of the equation. We all say 'it's not if but when' in many of these communities."

To read the entire interview, [<<CLICK HERE>>](#)



**Editor's note: NFPA's most prominent and widely used model for wildfire preparedness is the Firewise USA® program. Thank you for being part of the solution!**

## Review Your Home's Defensible Space

Wildfires across the United States have taken more than 100 lives and cost more than \$25 billion dollars in property losses in just the last two years. That's why it's so important to take steps to improve the wildfire safety of your home and community. Will you participate in a 30 to 45 minutes home inspection on May 4th (Wildfire Community Preparedness Day)? Contact the Fire Safe Council if you want assistance or watch this video and learn about 5 key areas around the home you must examine when assessing wildfire risk.

To view the short instructional video for homeowners, [<<CLICK HERE>>](#)

Lakehills Fire Safe Council is a community organization. Join and Email us at: [lakehillsfiresafecouncil@gmail.com](mailto:lakehillsfiresafecouncil@gmail.com)

## Calling All Volunteers!

April and the May BBQ make for a busy Fire Safe Council. Can you help?

⇒ **Preparation for the Firewise BBQ Event—May 5.** Ways you can help:

- Volunteer to distribute flyers door to door in your neighborhood (about 1 hour, flexible schedule)
- Volunteer to prep food or bake goodies (2 hours, Friday or Saturday prior to May 5 event)
- Volunteer to work the BBQ (about an hour, from 3:30 to 4:30 pm)
- Volunteer to help serve food on May 5 (about 1 hour, from 3:30 to 4:30 pm)
- Donate gift basket, gift certificate or other creative item for the raffle (prior to May 5)

CALL PEGGY (916) 933-3238



Even Cal Fire likes Mr. Rogers and his  
“won’t you be my neighbor” campaign!

To watch Cal Fire’s video honoring  
Fred Rogers’ March 20th birthday:

[<<CLICK HERE>>](#)

⇒ **Neighbors working together**

- Print out this month’s bulletin and share with a new neighbor
- Assist your neighbors register for CodeRed (EDC emergency notifications)
- Help a neighbor if they need assistance with a project
- Visit an inactive or house-bound neighbor & offer help

TALK TO YOUR NEIGHBORS!

Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much. Helen Keller

## Look For Expanded Communications



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The **Lakehills Fire Safe Council** is now  
on **Facebook!**

Please consider *liking* our new page!  
It just takes a *click!*

[www.facebook.com/LakehillsFireSafe](http://www.facebook.com/LakehillsFireSafe)



The **Lakehills Fire Safe Council** also  
posts on Nextdoor (Lake Forest).

Look for helpful info there!