

Questionnaire for McKinley County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)

March 2008

McKinley County Emergency Management has contracted with Walsh Environmental Scientists and Engineers LLC to develop the McKinley County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). The CWPP is a collaborative effort among federal, state, county, community, and private landowners to determine ways to reduce the risks of wildfire to communities. The results of this questionnaire will be used to help identify and prioritize appropriate mitigation actions. You can help by responding to this questionnaire. Please mail, fax, or e-mail this questionnaire to one of the addresses on the back by April 15.

<p>1. What community do you live in or are closest to? (please write in)</p>	
<p>2. How great of risk do wildfires pose to your community?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Extreme Risk <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate Risk <input type="checkbox"/> Low Risk <input type="checkbox"/> No Risk</p>
<p>3. What areas are a fire hazard and pose risks to homes or property?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Forestlands <input type="checkbox"/> Grasslands <input type="checkbox"/> Shrublands <input type="checkbox"/> Woodlands <input type="checkbox"/> Other Areas:</p> <p>Location:</p>
<p>4. What is the best way to mitigate or reduce wildfire hazards?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Reduce vegetation (grasses, trees, etc.) on public lands by controlled burns. <input type="checkbox"/> Reduce vegetation (grasses, trees, etc.) on public lands by mechanical treatments. <input type="checkbox"/> Develop shaded fuel breaks along roads and other strategic locations. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase firefighting equipment (more trucks, water tenders, etc.). <input type="checkbox"/> Increase number of fire department and volunteers. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase water availability. <input type="checkbox"/> Encourage private landowners to develop defensible spaces around structures. <input type="checkbox"/> Extensive community outreach and education program.</p>
<p>5. What recent actions have been taken to reduce the risk of wildfire to your community?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> None that I am aware of. <input type="checkbox"/> If you know of actions that have been taken, please explain:</p>

<p>6. What fire education programs have occurred in your community?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> None that I am aware of.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> If you know of programs that have occurred, please explain:</p>
<p>7. Is the community prepared to combat wildfire?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> No, if not, why:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes, if so, why:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I do not know.</p>
<p>8. What actions do you think need to be taken to reduce the risk of wildland fire?</p>	

Please provide contact information in case we have further questions:

Name	
Address	
Phone	

Please fill out this survey and mail, fax, or email your responses to:

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