WROA Volunteer Guidelines for

Adopt a Common Area and Firewise Mitigation Activities

Goal: Establish guidelines to encourage Wild River community participation in maintaining WROA common areas to help save lives and property from wildfire.

Purpose:

- 1. Identify potential fire hazards to ensure common areas are consistent with the Firewise Communities program objectives.
- 2. Identify noxious weeds to prevent and limit their invasive spread.
- 3. Remove incidental trash and dog waste so members can use and enjoy our common areas.

Volunteer Activities:

- 1. Familiarize yourselves with common area locations, by referring to the Wild River Property Plot Map, located on the WROA website under the Resources tab.
- 2. Be respectful of private property and public land boundaries.
- 3. Take some time to read and become familiar with the Firewise program's "Be Firewise Around Your Home" brochure.
- 4. Choose a common area(s) you are interested in adopting and maintaining
 - a. Spend time walking through and around the common area
 - b. Pull bitterbrush and noxious weeds dispose of properly
 - c. Remove downed branches and limbs dispose of properly
 - d. Observe, flag and document dead standing trees
 - e. Pick up trash and dog waster and properly dispose of it
 - f. Document any potential issues concerning fire safety and noxious weeds
- 5. Use the attached form to document your hours and any comments/concerns. Submit form to Deb Aiken, 53600 Brookie Way.
- 6. Participate in the annual WROA Firewise Work Day Events.
- 7. REMEMBER....removal of trees requires WROA Board approval. Before taking any mitigating action of dead tree removal, contact the Board!!!

Thanks for volunteering! Because wildfires are burning hotter and faster than ever before, it's important to pull together and take safety steps now. Wildfires will happen and we want to be as ready as possible to prevent damage to our Wild River community! We live in a beautiful place...let's keep it that way.