

Emergency Prep Newsletter - Draper Utah Suncrest Stake

June 2023

June: WILDFIRE Prep

Even Capt Marvel can't save your home from a WILDFIRE, but YOU can!!

Here are some helpful and urgent tasks you can prepare your family and home from a wild fire

1. **NO FIREWORKS in Suncrest** – educate children on fireworks being prohibited this holiday season
2. **FAMILY/BLOCK COMMUNICATION DRILL** – Ask your bishop about the Ward Communication Plan and the location of the Ward Command Post
3. **HOME IGNITION ZONES** - To increase your home's chance of surviving a wildfire, choose fire-resistant building materials and limit the amount of flammable vegetation in the three home ignition zones. The zones include the Immediate Zone: (0 to 5 feet around the house), the Intermediate Zone (5 to 30 feet), and the Extended Zone (30 to 100 feet).
4. **LANDSCAPING AND MAINTENANCE** - To reduce ember ignitions and fire spread, trim branches that overhang the home, porch, and deck and prune branches of large trees up to 6 to 10 feet (depending on their height) from the ground. Remove plants containing resins, oils, and waxes. Use crushed stone or gravel instead of flammable mulches in the Immediate Zone (0 to 5 feet around the house). Keep your landscape in good condition.
5. **ROOFING AND VENTS** - Class A fire-rated roofing products, such as composite shingles, metal, concrete, and clay tiles, offer the best protection. Inspect shingles or roof tiles and replace or repair those that are loose or missing to prevent ember penetration. Box in eaves, but provide ventilation to prevent condensation and mildew. Roof and attic vents should be screened to prevent ember entry.
6. **DECKS AND PORCHES** - Never store flammable materials underneath decks or porches. Remove dead vegetation and debris from under decks and porches and between deck board joints.
7. **SIDING AND WINDOWS** - Embers can collect in small nooks and crannies and ignite combustible materials; radiant heat from flames can crack windows. Use fire-resistant siding such as brick, fibercement, plaster, or stucco, and use dual-pane tempered glass windows
8. **SEE ATTACHED document** –
“FirewiseHowToPrepareYourHomeForWildfires”

Order a Reducing Wildfire Risks in the Home Ignition Zone checklist/poster at Firewise.org

Helpful Websites - Emergency Prep

www.ready.gov
www.redcross.org
www.fema.gov
www.dem.utah.gov
www.emergency.cdc.gov

(American Red Cross)
(Federal Emergency Management Agency)
(Utah Division of Emergency Management)
(Center of Disease Control and Prevention)



Stake Emergency Prep Calendar

Monthly Focus

July 2023 – Earthquake Prep

July 13th @ 7pm – “HAM Radio
Licensing Coarse Part 1”

July 20th @7pm – “HAM Radio
Licensing Coarse Part 2”

Aug 2023 – Food Storage I

Sept 2023 – Water Storage

Oct 2023 – Communications

Nov 2023 – Food Storage II

Dec 2023 – Family Emergency Plan

Jan 2024 – 72 Hour Emergency Kit

Feb 2024 – DURING the Disaster

Mar 2024 – Sanitation

Stake Presidency Message

Our Stake is moving forward in being more prepared for natural disasters – focusing on wildfire prevention and communicates with our members and community. We urge you to prepare your family and neighbors to have a communications plan and assist them with wildfire preventions.

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