

Union County Wildfire Survey

1. Do you own property that supports forest or range-land that could be susceptible to wildland fires?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

2. If you are not a forest or range landowner, Do you live adjacent to forested and/or range lands?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ within a quarter mile
☐ within a half mile

3. If you own forested lands, do you live on your forested property?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

4. How many forested acres do you own?

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5. Please indicate the geographic area in which your forested property is located. (If you own property in more than one area, please mark all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Camp Elkanah | <input type="checkbox"/> North Powder |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cove | <input type="checkbox"/> Palmer Junction |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elgin | <input type="checkbox"/> Pumpkin Ridge |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hilgard | <input type="checkbox"/> Ruckle Road |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Imbler | <input type="checkbox"/> S. Fork Cath. Ck |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Island City | <input type="checkbox"/> Starkey |
| <input type="checkbox"/> La Grande | <input type="checkbox"/> Summerville |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Springs | <input type="checkbox"/> Weston Mtn/Tollgate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Morgan Lake | <input type="checkbox"/> Union |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mount Emily | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please list) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) | |

6. How high do you feel the risk of a wildfire is in your area?

- ☐ High
- ☐ Medium
- ☐ Low

7. If a wildfire occurred in your area, what factors would place you and/or your home at risk? (Please mark all that apply)

- ☐ Neighboring properties with high fuel load/stand conditions.
- ☐ Response time/capability/equipment of local fire agencies.
- ☐ Level of fuel loads/stand conditions on your properties.
- ☐ Flammability of your structures.
- ☐ Access to your property.
- ☐ Construction material used on home.
- ☐ Position of home on slope.
- ☐ Loss of services and utilities.

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8. Do you have a plan for what you would do if a fire were to threatened your area?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Would like information

9. Have you ever participated in National Fire Plan /fire risk reduction activities?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

10. If so, how did you learn about National Fire Plan/fire risk reduction activities?

- ☐ Community meeting
- ☐ Talking to a neighbor
- ☐ Media (newspaper/radio)
- ☐ 2005 Community Wildfire Plan
- ☐ Local Fire Management Agency
- ☐ Other

11. Defensible space refers to the area between a house and an oncoming wildfire where the vegetation has been modified to reduce the wildfire threat and to provide an opportunity for firefighters to effectively defend the house. Sometimes a defensible space is simply a homeowner's properly maintained back yard.

How knowledgeable do you feel you are regarding creating defensible space?

- ☐ very Knowledgeable
- ☐ Somewhat
- ☐ Not familiar with Defensible space

12. Have you worked around your home to create a defensible space?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

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13. If yes, how much defensible space/fire risk reduction work has been completed?

- ☐ 25% or less
- ☐ 25 to 50%
- ☐ 50 – 75%
- ☐ More than 75% of work

14. If you did defensible work on your property, did you use National Fire Plan cost share assistance?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not Sure

15. How interested are you in learning more about creating defensible space?

- ☐ Very Interested
- ☐ Somewhat interested, need more information
- ☐ Not interested

16. Where is the greatest need for fuels reduction work near your property?

- ☐ Private Lands
- ☐ U.S. Forest Service
- ☐ Industrial Forest Land

17. How concerned are you about your scenic view being impacted by National Fire Plan Fuels Reduction work?

- ☐ Very Concerned
- ☐ Somewhat Concerned
- ☐ Not Concerned

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18. If you were interested in learning more, what kind of informational format would you prefer?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Mail - brochures | <input type="checkbox"/> Radio |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Centralized workshops or classes | <input type="checkbox"/> Internet Websites |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hands on demonstrations | <input type="checkbox"/> Neighborhood workshops |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Self-guided tour of demonstration areas | <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Consultation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> YouTube video of demonstrations | <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper Insert |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local television | |

19. What is your level of concern regarding creating a defensible space around your home in terms of the amount of physical work required?

- ☐ Very little Concern
- ☐ somewhat concerned
- ☐ highly concerned
- ☐ extremely concerned
- ☐ Other (please specify)

20. What is your level of concern regarding creating a defensible space around your home in terms of the amount of time required?

- ☐ Very little concern
- ☐ Somewhat concerned
- ☐ Highly concerned
- ☐ Extremely concerned

21. What is your level of concern regarding creating a defensible space around your home in terms of the financial cost required?

- ☐ Very little concern
- ☐ Somewhat concerned
- ☐ Highly concerned
- ☐ Extremely concerned

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22. What is your level of concern regarding creating a defensible space around your home in terms of doing the work yourself?

- ☐ Very little concern
- ☐ Somewhat concerned
- ☐ Highly concerned
- ☐ Extremely concerned

23. What is your level of concern regarding creating a defensible space around your home in terms of hiring a contractor/forestry professional?

- ☐ Very Little concern
- ☐ Somewhat concerned
- ☐ Highly concerned
- ☐ Extremely concerned

24. What is your level of concern regarding creating a defensible space around your home in terms of the aesthetic value of your property?

- ☐ Very little concern
- ☐ Somewhat concerned
- ☐ Highly concerned
- ☐ Extremely concerned

25. What is your level of concern regarding creating a defensible space around your home in terms of neighborhood covenants/restrictions?

- ☐ Very little concern
- ☐ Somewhat concerned
- ☐ Highly concerned
- ☐ Extremely concerned

26. What is your level of concern regarding creating a defensible space around your home in terms of the level of maintenance work required to retain your investment?

- ☐ Very little concern
- ☐ Somewhat concerned
- ☐ Highly concerned
- ☐ Extremely concerned

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27. How much would you be willing to pay to reduce the wildfire risk that your home faces?

- ☐ Very Little
- ☐ Portion of the cost
- ☐ Majority or all of the cost

28. Are you aware of the financial assistance available for treating fuels on homeowners'/landowners' properties?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No, would like more info
- ☐ No

29. Are you interested in learning more or applying for some of these funds

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

30. If you do not want to learning about funding, why would you be reluctant?

- ☐ Not Interested
- ☐ Do not need it
- ☐ Not sure how to get started
- ☐ Government requirements/regulation issues
- ☐ Not enough information to say

31. Would you be willing to put on an educational program for your neighborhood?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Maybe

32. Would you be willing to share defensible space information with a neighbor or friend?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

33. Please feel free to provide any additional comments.

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34. PART 2: QUESTIONNAIRE

Are you concerned about a large wildfire event happening in your community?

- ☐ Very concerned
- ☐ Moderately concerned
- ☐ Somewhat concerned
- ☐ Not concerned

35. Prior to this Survey were you aware of the concept of defensible space?

- ☐ Very Aware
- ☐ Moderately Aware
- ☐ Somewhat Aware
- ☐ Not Aware

36. Has Firewise or Ready-Set-Go been presented in your community?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

***37. List three Attributes you Value most about your community!**

38. Would those attributes (values) be threatened by a wildfire?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

***39. If you answered yes, the values would be threatened by wildfire, please describe how they would be threatened.**

40. Have you heard of Community Wildfire Protection Planning?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

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41. Would you be interested in reviewing and commenting on the Union County Community Wildfire Protection Plan?

☐ Yes

☐ No

***42. If you would be interested in reviewing and commenting on the Wildfire Protection Plan, please list your contact information below.**