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President's Spring Message

by Kay Pitts, YWPHI President (2006-2007)

The fire that destroyed Neil and Cathy Camin's cabin on February 13 should serve as a wake-up call to every property owner. We not only face the danger of a forest fire from outside the community, but also of a structural fire from within. Camin's adjoining lot and our lot were both cleared of small trees and ground debris so the fire could not spread that way. But, tall trees several feet from the cabin were torched. Had it not been a humid day with light snow, the fire could have destroyed much more. Property values in

Yosemite West have soared in the past few years. A devastating fire could ruin the community and your investment. What can you do to help?

Homeowners: Clear your property according to the 100-foot Defensible Space guidelines (see insert). If you rent your property through an agent, be sure your agent is a YWPHI member and is keeping you aware of the community efforts and events. Some questions to consider: Is your home properly stocked with working fire extinguishers? Would your guests be notified and know where to go in the event of an evacuation due to fire? Is your propane tank properly located? Vacant lot owners: Clear your lot of pine needles, low branches and small trees. The build-up of flammable material on your property poses a fire threat to your neighbors' homes and compromises the safety of the entire community. Take advantage of the YWPHI chipping program (free to members, see p.3) to help you dispose of the debris. YWPHI has received \$56,000 in federal grant awards to create a shaded fuel break and to establish a Fire Safe program (see p.8 for more information). We have many agencies wanting to help us, but we need to show we are helping ourselves.

Grace Bartel, former YWPHI President, moved in November 2006, and I became president. I was amazed to learn that YWPHI membership was lower than previous years. After a third reminder was mailed in February membership increased to 97, which is 44% of all property owners of record; 66% of all homeowners, 28% of all vacant lot owners, and 19% of all condo owners. The chipping program alone will cost as much as \$3,000 (the equivalent of dues from 120 members). We also have the costs of the newsletter and our extremely informative website. Obviously, we can't continue deficit spending forever.

In a March 18 community meeting at our home we discussed first response to fire. Some excellent ideas are being implemented: radios are better than telephones for emergency notification, but need a common frequency; volunteers to operate fire hoses need ongoing training; fire hose houses need upgrading; better signage for fire exits is needed in rental properties and on roads; a community wide outdoor warning siren is needed to alert volunteers for fire and possible evacuation.

So again, how can you help? If you are not already a YWPHI member, join today. You can download a membership form at www.yosemitewest.org/members.htm. That is one way to support the volunteers who spend many hours per month on your behalf. Believe me, the annual \$25 membership dues per household is the best investment you can make to help protect your property.

***In the West* Publication**

Thanks go these contributors to this edition of *In the West*: John Mock, Chair of the YWPHI Fire Safety committee, and YWPHI Board of Directors' members Kay Pitts and Kim O'Neil.

Archived issues of the newsletter are available to download as a PDF at www.yosemitewest.org/archive.htm. If you wish to receive the e-newsletter, please email treasurer@yosemitewest.org. Your willingness to receive the newsletter electronically saves printing and mailing costs, allowing YWPHI to use that money for community projects.

Minutes from YWPHI Meetings

Minutes from previous YWPHI Board of Directors' meetings are archived at www.yosemitewest.org/board.htm. Minutes from the November 4, 2006 are now available.

Please contact YWPHI President Kay Pitts (☎ 209-372-4775) to request a copy by mail. The next board meeting is Saturday, June 2nd at 10 a.m.

Want to Know More About What the YWPHI Board Does? Please Serve!

Well then, we have a special invitation for you. With Grace Bartel stepping down as YWPHI President, we are short one board member who can make it to the June and September meetings. This is without commitment to serve a full term in the future, and is about the easiest way to see what the board does.

Also, we are looking for additional members to serve three-year terms on the board, starting in September 2007.

As a board member, you will meet more of your neighbors, have a greater say in the way YWPHI uses your dues, and learn more about what's happening in the neighborhood.

Mailbox Shelter

Thanks to Don Donaldson and Larry Newsome, who cleaned the mailbox shelter this spring.

About YWPHI

YWPHI was established to promote and protect the best interests of the owners of land used for residential purposes in Yosemite West. YWPHI shall strive for the improvement and betterment of all facilities and services within the area, and shall promote and encourage maximum community and civic spirit, and foster good will and friendship among all residents of Yosemite West.

Welcome New Members

We would like to welcome new YWPHI members Neil and Judith Anstead.

Your Garbage

What to do with it! Haul it out in your vehicle and endure the smell or use the better solution: the dumpster cooperative. Since individual pickup using traditional garbage cans is not possible because of bear activity, a group of private residents installed a shared dumpster in 1993. Unlike most communities where garbage pickup is mandatory, ours is voluntary. The dumpster is fee-based and the more that use it, the lower the cost. Monthly fees are currently about \$20 for part-time residents and \$40 for full-time. If more people join the dumpster cooperative, the fees will go down.

Everyone needs to be aware that it is illegal to dump your household garbage in the National Park Service dumpsters or other privately maintained dumpsters.

Ken Wall has acted as the dumpster custodian since 1993, maintaining the dumpster and collecting the fees. However, Ken is resigning as of July 31, and the dumpster co-op is looking for someone to take on the task. The custodian's main job is to bill and collect fees every four to six months. For more information, contact Ken Wall (☎ 209-372-4003 or 559-638-4746).

Chipping Program Starts May 29

YWPHI is sponsoring the third annual spring chipping program in collaboration with the Mariposa County Fire Safe Council. A chipper and crew will come to Yosemite West for several days to chip all yard debris that property owners cut and pile at the curb.

The past two chipping programs were a huge success - chipping more than 30 tons of yard debris. These programs help our community reduce the amount of dead wood on the ground, improve defensible space around structures, and reduce the amount of wood debris that goes on the community burn pile each year.

The chipping program is scheduled *after* Memorial Day so the chips are not blown on top of pine needles, and to enable those owners who only come on Memorial Day weekend to participate.

The chipping program is available to every property owner in Yosemite West and is not limited to YWPHI members. The cost of the chipping program is free to YWPHI members and \$25 per property for non-members. We encourage non-members to not only participate in the chipping program, but to also join YWPHI. Annual membership dues are just \$25 per household. We hope that everyone will take advantage of this program to remove yard debris from their property. Property owners do not have to be present when the chipper comes.

You can make a difference in whether or not your home and community survive a wildland fire. Your actions will make it safer for the firefighters who risk their lives to protect your property.

The chips will be left on your property at the recommendation of the Mariposa County Fire Department. Chips reduce the growth of weeds and unnecessary seedlings, keep soil in place to prevent erosion, and decay slowly forming a nutrient-rich mulch.

To Sign Up for Chipping Program

Participation in the chipping program requires advanced sign up by May 15th.

For YWPHI members

➤ simply email chipping@yosemitewest.org with your local address or lot number/street name, or call John Mock (☎ 209-372-4325), chair of the YWPHI Fire Safety committee; the chipping program is free

For non-members

Choose one of the following two options:

- I/we want to participate in the chipping program and also join YWPHI for \$25
- I/we want to participate in the chipping program only for a fee of \$25 per property.

Complete the sign-up form and mail it with your check to YWPHI by May 15th. You can download the form at: yosemitewest.org/signupchipping2007.pdf

Chipping Guidelines

Follow these guidelines when making your curbside pile for the chipper.

Do's

- Gather dead and downed wood
- Limb trees up to 15 feet above ground
- Remove branches within 10 feet of chimneys and roof
- Remove trees less than 6 inches at chest height
- Pile yard debris on your property near the curb in easily accessible piles by May 27th
- Hand pile brush and small-diameter branches with cut ends pointing in the same direction toward the street

Don'ts

- No yard debris in the street
- No rocks, dry pine needles or pine cones
- No branch/tree greater than 8 inches in diameter in piles
- No machine-made or dozer-made piles

Yosemite West Memorial Day Weekend Yard Clean-up Sunday, May 27, 2007

www.yosemitewest.org/firesafe.htm

In preparation for fire season, everyone needs to create defensible space on their property. Whether you own a home or a vacant lot, you will help Yosemite West create community wide defensible space and reduce the risk of wildland fire in Yosemite West. California law requires you to treat the area 100 feet (or to your property line, whichever is closer) from all structures to improve defensible space (see the Defensible Space insert for further details). Maintaining all property of dead and downed wood and ladder fuels is also required by the Yosemite West CC&Rs.

The key steps are:

- remove pine needles, brush, and dead and downed wood
- cut and remove any dead trees
- limb trees up 15 feet above ground
- reduce manzanita and Ceanothus species (e.g., buck brush, buckthorn) by cutting one-third of the plants off at soil level every other year and letting them regrow from the roots, and by reducing the height of all remaining shrubs, and
- cut and remove any trees less than 6 inches at chest height, called ladder fuels, especially white fir and incense cedar

The community burn pile, located at the lower end of the development off Yosemite Park Way, will become available again this spring and will be open on Memorial Day weekend to provide a place for everyone to dispose of yard debris. The burn pile fills up quickly each spring and you can ease the pressure on it in two ways:

➤ by participating in the **Chipping Program** and signing up by May 15th (see p.3)

➤ by burning pine needles on your own property; call the Mariposa County Burn Day Information Line (☎ 888-440-2876) and carefully follow all guidelines and requirements (visit www.yosemitewest.org/fowner.htm for further details)

If you do not have a vehicle to transport yard debris to the burn pile, volunteers with trucks will be cruising the area on Sunday, May 27 between 8 a.m. and 11 a.m., but you must help load and unload all your material into their trucks. In turn, you'll be expected to help with loads from your neighbors' yards.

Please don't leave piles in the street expecting others to take them away – no one will touch them. Gloves, rakes, pitchforks, wheelbarrows and tarps are very helpful.

Make two types of curbside piles:

- pine needles and pine cones that will be transported to the community burn pile Sunday, May 27th - **have your piles ready by 8 a.m.**
- brush and small-diameter branches for the chipping program that will be chipped *after* Memorial Day weekend

✓ What Goes In the Community Burn Pile

- dry pine needles
- fallen pine cones
- branches

X What Stays Out of the Community Burn Pile

- Piles for the chipping program
- No logs or stumps
- No plastic bags
- No hazardous or toxic materials
- No glass
- No garbage
- No construction debris
- No exceptions!

If you are clearing your lot in preparation for building, you cannot bring this debris to the community burn pile. The burn pile cannot handle this large volume of material. You must make your own arrangements by renting a dumpster to dispose of the debris.

Free Picnic Lunch

YWPHI is sponsoring a picnic lunch and invites **everyone in the community** starting at 11 a.m. on Sunday, May 27, on the southeast corner of Hennes Circle (between the Walls' and Hagans' homes). Food will be served around noon. Please bring your own chairs.

The picnic is not only time to eat and unwind after a lot of hard work, but it is also an opportunity to learn more about fire safety from guest speakers. Agency personnel will be on hand to answer your questions about protecting your property from wildfire.

Volunteers Needed on Sunday, May 27, 2007

We need volunteers to provide pick-up or dump trucks and to help load and unload the trucks. Please contact Tom Lambert (☎ 209-372-4769, tomlambert@yosemitewest.org) with any questions or to volunteer. All volunteers will be picked up by the trucks as they drive by starting at 8 a.m. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Yosemite West Needs Defensible Space Now

What is Defensible Space? Defensible space is area around a house where flammable native trees and shrubs have been thinned and dead/dying trees have been removed. This reduces the threat of an oncoming wildfire and allows firefighters to safely defend a house.

Defensible space in a high fire hazard environment such as Yosemite West is essential. Research proves that defensible space makes the difference between a house surviving a wildfire or being destroyed.

Although many property owners have gotten the message, many have either not acted on it or are slow to adopt defensible space practices. Take the **YOSEMITE WEST DEFENSIBLE SPACE REALITY CHECK** to dispel any myths you may have.

| Yosemite West Defensible Space Reality Check | | |
|--|---|--|
| What's Your Excuse? | Myths About Defensible Space | Facts About Defensible Space |
| Motivation exists to create defensible space: | | |
| Unaware | "I didn't know there was a wildfire threat to my neighborhood." | Yosemite West is a high fire hazard area. This year Yosemite and the Central Sierra have a severe drought condition, which dramatically increases our risk from wildfire. |
| Denial | "It won't happen to me. I don't believe it." | Every property owner is at risk. The threat of wildfire is real, likely and not exaggerated. |
| Fatalism | "It's all fate. When your number is up, it's up" | Whether your house burns or not is not a matter of luck. |
| Futility | "It won't make a difference." | Research proves that creating defensible space protects homes. |
| Irresponsibility | "It's not my job." | It is your responsibility to protect your home, not the fire department. Public officials are not solely responsible for minimizing wildfire threat. |
| No Incentives | "If it was really important, my insurance company would give me a break on my premium." | The costs of implementing defensible space is not offset by lower insurance rates. Insurance companies are now imposing strict defensible space criteria and even canceling policies of homeowners who do not comply. |
| Insurance | "So what, my insurance company will build me a new and better house. I don't care if the house burns down." | Your house may not be adequately insured with new construction costs starting at more than \$300/sq.ft. Why find secure places for your valuables like pictures and things that can't be replaced, and ignore the house. Your burning property may pose a threat to your neighbor who may care more about their house. |

| Yosemite West Defensible Space Reality Check | | |
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| What's Your Excuse? | Myths About Defensible Space | Facts About Defensible Space |
| Unnatural | "It's wrong to cut trees." | You can selectively remove specific trees and native vegetation while retaining the naturalness and wildland look of the landscape, minimizing disturbance to the natural setting, and preserving wildlife habitat. |
| Aesthetics | "It won't look good." | Effective defensible space results in an attractive landscape that compliments your home, and contributes to your property value. |
| Discomfort | "I don't want to because of scorpions, lizards, snakes." | Working outdoors in a wildland setting is not hazardous. If you're concerned about risks, ask a neighbor for help. |
| The means to create defensible space exists: | | |
| Cost | "I don't have the time or money to do it." | The benefits of reduced fire threat outweigh the monetary expense, labor, and time requirements. Visit www.yosemitewest.org/services.htm for a list of companies who do tree work in Yosemite West. |
| Lack of knowledge | "I don't know what to do. I don't want to learn new things about landscaping." | You can easily learn about wildfire threat reduction practices by reading the Defensible Space insert and visiting www.yosemitewest.org/firesafe.htm . |
| Disposal | "I don't have an easy way to get rid of that stuff." | Join or renew your YWPHI membership and participate in the free chipping program (see p.3 and complete the enclosed sign-up form) to dispose of the slash generated. |
| The opportunity to create defensible space exists: | | |
| Illegal | "It's against the law." | No federal laws or local ordinances prevent the creation of defensible space. State law now requires 100-foot defensible space; visit www.yosemitewest.org/f100ft.htm . Some insurance companies require more than 100 feet. |
| Lack of Ownership | "The problem is on my neighbor's property." | The presence of flammable vegetation on a vacant lot poses a serious threat to adjacent property owners' houses. A homeowner does not have the opportunity to create effective defensible space without the cooperation of their adjacent neighbors. If you own a vacant lot, you must act now to help build community wide defensible space. Inaction is irresponsible. Please cooperate with a neighbor who is willing to help you work on your property. If you don't know your neighbor, email info@yosemitewest.org and YWPHI will help to put you in touch. |

Fire Safety Grants Awarded to YWPHI

YWPHI has been awarded more than \$56,000 in two grants by the California Fire Safe Council (FSC) with funds provided by the National Park Service. In a first for the community, full inter-agency cooperation is bringing money to fund fire safety projects that benefit all of Yosemite West. We are all grateful to see this concept realized. It has taken more than three years to go from concept to actual funding, but as of spring 2007, all is finally in place for the projects to start.

The money is split into two separate grants. One grant provides \$20,663 for a Yosemite West Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) and Fire Safe Program. This grant will provide funds to: finalize and sign a Yosemite West CWPP; establish a Fire Safe program in Yosemite West; and provide personnel to administer both grants.

The other grant for \$36,000 provides funds to hire private contractors to create a shaded fuel break on the north and west perimeter of Yosemite West. This consists of removing ladder fuels and thinning the forest so that any crown fire coming uphill would drop to the forest floor where firefighters could combat the fire and hopefully save the neighborhood.

Visit www.yosemitewest.org/grants.htm for updates on the projects. Please email firesafety@yosemitewest.org with any questions you may have.

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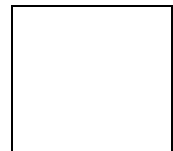
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YWPHI Committees (2006-2007)

Tom Lambert, Newsletter Editor; Kim O'Neil, Webmaster and Acting Treasurer; and John Mock, Fire Safety.

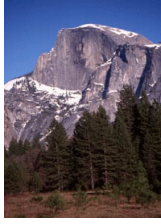
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Defensible Space: Compliance with 100-foot Requirements

Everyone who owns property in a wildland area in California needs to know about the laws regarding defensible space, which were revised in 2006. Key points to be aware of are:

- Defensible space clearance requirements around structures has been expanded from 30 feet to 100 feet, creating a new fuel treatment zone called the **REDUCED FUEL ZONE**. Property owners have a legal responsibility to treat all of their property up to 100 feet away from their structure or to their property line, whichever is less and limited to their land.
- State law or local ordinance, rule or regulation can specify requirements of greater than 100 feet. Property owners are not required to clear beyond 100 feet from their structure, but are encouraged to do so to create community-wide defensible space.
- Insurance companies can require homeowners to maintain firebreaks greater than 100 feet.
- The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF) has the authority to clear a property and then bill the property owner or lien the property.

| Distance from Structures | Zone | Goal |
|--------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 0-30 feet | Hazard Clearance | Fuel Break |
| 30-100 feet | Reduced Fuel | Fuel Separation |

The intent of these defensible space regulations is to improve existing fuel breaks to reduce fire intensity, inhibit fire in crowns (tree tops), reduce the rate of fire spread, and provide a safer environment for firefighters to suppress a wildfire.

Please follow the guidelines, drafted by the California Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, in this document for meeting the intent of the California Resource Code (PRC) 4291 (a) and (b) and California regulation 14, California Code of Regulations (CCR)1299, Defensible Space.

Fire Hazard Clearance Inspection

CDF arranges with U.S. Forest Service (USFS) fire prevention officers from Sierra National Forest to conduct an **ANNUAL FIRE HAZARD CLEARANCE INSPECTION** in Yosemite West to evaluate property owners' compliance with CCR 1299 and PRC 4291. The fire prevention team completes a written checklist for residents noting any conditions that require the property owners' attention and may issue citations for noncompliance.

The Annual Fire Hazard Clearance deadline, which is around July 4th, will be posted on the USFS signboard along the entrance road to Yosemite West (between Wawona Road and the mailboxes). Please direct any questions you may have to the CDF, Madera-Mariposa-Merced Unit (☎ 209-966-3622), 5366 Hwy 49 North, Mariposa, CA 95338.

Hazard Clearance Zone (0-30ft) Guidelines

- ▣ Remove and clear all flammable vegetation and combustible material within 30 feet of each structure. (These are the same requirements under which we have been following for years.)
- ▣ You are not required to remove single specimens of trees, ornamental shrubbery, or similar plants used as ground cover, as long as they do not form a means of transmitting fire to any structure.
- ▣ Remove all dead and dying woody surface fuels (trees and shrubs) and aerial fuels (branches). You don't want to have any vegetation that can form a "ladder" for fire to climb into taller vegetation. Eliminate trees, bushes, shrubs and surface debris that are completely dead or with substantial amounts of dry or dead branches or leaves/needles that would readily burn.
- ▣ Remove loose surface litter, such as fallen leaves or needles, twigs, bark, cones, and small branches.
- ▣ Cut grass to a height of 3 inches within 30 feet adjacent to structures. Keep grass and other vegetation green by watering. If watering is not feasible, maintain a vegetation-free space between dry grass and any structure.
- ▣ Remove any portion of a tree that is within 10 feet of the outlet of any chimney or stovepipe.
- ▣ Maintain any tree adjacent to or overhanging any building free of dead or dying wood.
- ▣ Maintain the roof of any structure free of leaves, needles, or other dead vegetative growth.
- ▣ Provide and maintain at all times a screen (constructed of nonflammable material with openings of not more than half an inch in size) over the outlet of every chimney or stovepipe that is attached to any fireplace, stove, or other device that burns any solid or liquid fuel.

Reduced Fuel Zone (30-100ft) Guidelines

- ▣ Remove dead and dying (with substantial amounts of dead branches or leaves/needles) woody surfaces and aerial fuels (trees, bushes, shrubs and surface debris). Leave no more than 1-3 dead and downed trees less than 15 inches in diameter per acre. Loose surface litter, normally consisting of fallen leaves or needles, twigs, bark, cones, and small branches are permitted to a depth of 3 inches.
- ▣ Retain downed logs or stumps embedded in the soil when isolated from other vegetation.
- ▣ Move woodpiles at least 30 feet away from any structure and protected piles from wind-driven embers by secure tarps or other means.
- ▣ **Implement one of the following two fuel treatments (options A or B) required by CCR 1299 and PRC 4291.** Properties with greater fire hazards will require greater clearing treatments. Combinations of the methods may be acceptable as long as the intent of these guidelines is met.

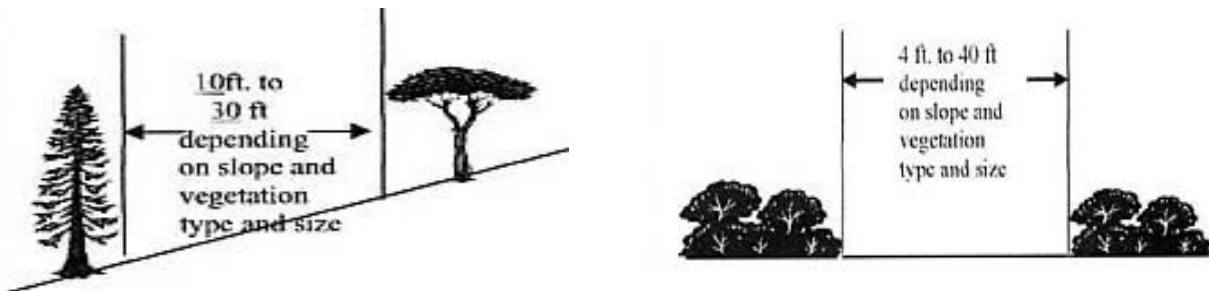
Fuel Treatment Option A - Defensible Space with Fuel Separation (30ft-100ft)

Fuel Treatment Option A is for more open areas with few trees.

➤ Grass should not exceed 4 inches in height. Where grass and other forbs are necessary to stabilize the soil and prevent erosion, they can be kept less than 18 inches in height above the ground when they are isolated from other fuels.

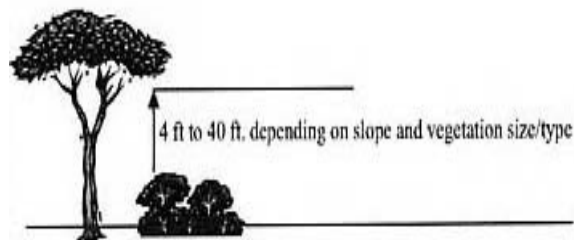
➤ Horizontal Clearance Requirements

| Slope | Trees | Shrubs |
|--------------|--------------|---|
| 0-20% | 10ft | 2x height of shrub eg, 3ft shrub = 6ft space |
| 20-40% | 20ft | 4x height of shrub |
| > 40% | 30ft | 6x height of shrub |



➤ Vertical Clearance Requirements

The minimum vertical space between the top of a shrub and the bottom of the lowest tree branches is 3x the height of the shrub (eg, 3ft shrub = 9 ft vertical space between the top of the shrub and the lowest tree limbs).

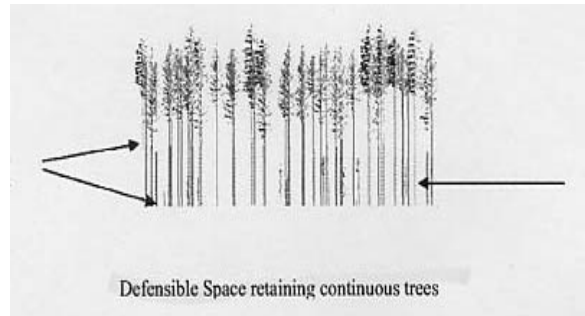


Learn More About Defensible Space

Visit www.yosemitewest.org/f100ft.htm to refer to an online version of these guidelines and to read related documents, and www.yosemitewest.org/firesafe.htm for further information about defensible space with links to resources.

Fuel Treatment Option B - Defensible Space with Continuous Tree Canopy (30ft-100ft)

A vegetation removal option is available for those wanting to retain a continuous stand of larger trees with no space between tree canopies while creating defensible space. Spacing between aerial fuels is not required in a stand of larger trees.



In this situation:

- Remove all surface fuels greater than 4 inches in height.
- Remove lower limbs of trees (prune) to at least 6 feet up to 15 feet (or the lower half of branches of smaller trees).

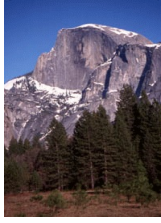
Properties with greater fire hazards, such as steeper slopes or more severe fire danger, will require pruning heights in the upper end of this range.

Additional Standards for Tree and Shrub Removal Recommended for Yosemite West by Yosemite Fire Management

- Remove all trees 6 inches in diameter (measured 5 feet from the base) everywhere on your property, except:
 - Preserve hardwood trees (eg, big-leaf maple, dogwood, cottonwood, birch, willow, oak)
 - Prioritize removal of conifers, by first removing incense cedar and white fir, followed by ponderosa pine or Jeffrey pine, and lastly sugar pine.
 - Keep trees with cultural significance or obvious wildlife occupation (e.g., cavities or bird nests), or remove only with professional guidance.

For further information on healthy tree limbing and removal procedures, contact Yosemite National Park Forester Brian Mattos (☎ 209-379-1113).

- Vegetation removal can cause soil disturbance, soil erosion, the regrowth of new vegetation and introduction of nonnative, invasive plants. Always keep soil disturbance to a minimum, especially on steep slopes.
- Use safe methods. Chain saws and other small engines must have spark arresters. Be careful of sparks from metal blades striking rocks. Complete any work prior to high fire danger season.



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Chipping Program
Sign-up Form
May 29 - 31, 2007

YWPHI members please check one:

- I/we are already current members of YWPHI (2006-2007). Yes, I/we want to sign up for the chipping program, which is free to YWPHI members. No further payment is required. (Alternatively, sign up by email at chipping@yosemitewest.org.)

Non-members please check one:

- Yes, I/we want to sign up for the chipping program and join YWPHI. YWPHI membership dues are \$25 per household per year (9/1/2006 - 8/31/2007).

Check your preference:

- Email the YWPHI newsletter and announcements to me/us
- I/we do not have email, please use via postal service

Telephone numbers and email address will not be provided to third parties for commercial purposes. YWPHI may, however, distribute telephone numbers and email address for its own use and for use in emergencies.

- I/we want to sign up for the chipping program only for a \$25 fee per property.

Name(s): _____

PLEASE USE ONE SIGN-UP FORM PER PROPERTY.

Yosemite West Address:
(or Lot Number and Street Name)

Mailing Address (if different):

Telephone: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Mail this form and your check, payable to YWPHI, if required, to:

7585 Henness Ridge Road, Yosemite National Park, CA 95389-9108