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REDUCE THE FUEL LOAD, BE FIRE SAFE

The purpose of the Mendocino County Fire Safe Council's chipping program is to help residents reduce the fuel load around their homes, driveways, and roads to increase safety and help protect property from the effects of devastating wildland fires.

Fire plays an important role in healthy eco-systems, but too close to residential neighborhoods and its effects can be disastrous. That's why your local Fire Safe Council

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wants to help you assure your survival by helping you manage the surrounding forest and interface around your homes and building assets. It's really up to each one of us to take part, to assume responsibility for our own parcels and to help those folks who haven't heard this message to take action. Why do homes survive and others do not, it's in the details. By reducing the vegetation, eliminating ladder fuels, maintaining clean gutters and roofs, and cleaning up debris around your home, you can mitigate the effects of fire and survive if one should happen. We live in this beautiful County for the trees and serenity, let's help steward nature, and protect our homes.

CALL US BEFORE YOU CUT

Funds are limited so call

Call us at 707-462-3662, chipping crews like to chip fresh piles

We adhere to BLM's best management practices,

We chip between September and December.

Acquire a burn permit if you have old, dry piles.

CREATING DEFENSIBLE SPACE

Min 30 ft clearance around home

- * Limb trees 10 feet from ground
- * Cut limbs away from roof
- * Cut vegetation from chimney
- * Create a green belt around home

TRACK YOUR TIME AND WE WILL MATCH IT

You cut limbs and take down brush, piling neatly with cut ends facing the same direction. Keep track of your time and expenses related to fuels reduction on our forms and we will match your efforts with a chipping crew.

Call the Mendocino County Fire Safe Council before you cut. Call us at 707-462-3662 to help the program coordinator schedule your job with other jobs in your neighborhood. This is a seasonal program. Visit our website at www.firesafemendocino.

