

# Elko County Fire Protection District

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## Spring Creek Fuels Reduction & Wildfire Safety Program

#### **Important Notice for Spring Creek Residents**

The Elko County Fire Protection District is partnering with Nevada Division of Forestry and the Spring Creek community to reduce wildfire fuel hazards and improve safety. Work will begin in select neighborhoods as part of a long-term wildfire mitigation program.

### Why This Matters

Spring Creek is located in a high-risk Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) area. This program will:

- Reduce hazardous vegetation near homes
- Improve evacuation corridor safety
- Lower community wildfire risk
- Support safer defensible space around properties

#### What to Expect

Over the coming months, residents may see:

- Vegetation thinning and brush removal
- Tree trimming and ladder fuel reduction
- Chipping & hauling operations
- Fire district and state equipment and personnel working in neighborhoods
- Pile burning and smoke

Work will occur in phases and continue seasonally.

### **Free Green Waste Disposal Option**

Residents may participate in our free green waste bin program:

This program will not start until late winter 2026 early spring 2026

- We drop off a bin
- ✓ You fill it with vegetation only
- ✓ We return in 5–7 days to remove it

#### Request a bin online:

■ Visit: <a href="https://elkocountynv.net/departments/ecfpd">https://elkocountynv.net/departments/ecfpd</a> fire district/wildland fuels mitigation .php (placeholder — update when live)

#### **How You Can Help**

Please support our defensible space efforts by:

- Clearing dry vegetation within 0–100 feet of your home
- Removing dead branches, weeds, and brush piles
- Keeping driveways and access clear for emergency vehicles
- Following program instructions for green-waste bins

Every property treated improves safety for the entire community.

#### **Questions?**

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Thank you for helping keep Spring Creek fire-resilient and protected.

"Strong Communities. Safer Homes. Fire-Ready Nevada."