



REALFire Assessment



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Information

Welcome to your customized property assessment report!

This report is based on the assessment recently conducted on your property and identifies all required actions you must take to reduce your wildfire risk and receive recognition through the program for your achievements.

1. **MAKE A PLAN!** Simply review the following "Summary of Required Actions" page to see the tasks that must be completed in order for you to receive a REALFire recognition certificate. The full report that follows the "Summary of Required Actions" page includes further details and photos associated with each of the "Required Actions".
2. **TAKE ACTION!** Roll up your sleeves and get to work!
OR
Hire an experienced contractor to take care of the work for you. Visit the resources page at <https://app2.realfire.net> for more information on hiring a contractor.
3. **SCHEDULE AN INSPECTION!** Once you complete all of your required mitigation actions, contact the REAL fire program to schedule an inspection. Visit <https://app2.realfire.net> for program contact information.
4. **INSPECTION DAY!** At the time of inspection, the wildfire mitigation specialist will inform you if you have either successfully addressed all of the required actions in the assessment report OR further action is required. This will also be reflected in the inspection report.
5. **BE RECOGNIZED!** A pdf copy of your inspection report and REALFire Certificate recognizing you for all of your hard work will be emailed to you once you have successfully addressed all of the Required Actions in the Assessment Report.

QUESTIONS? Email contact@realfire.net us!

DISCLAIMER:

While the purpose of the Wildfire Mitigation Assessment is to reduce the risk of fire damage to your home or property, following the recommendations in the Assessment does not guarantee prevention of such damage. Wildfire mitigation work around your home can give firefighters the best chance to defend and protect your property from wildfires, and can also substantially increase your safety and reduce the risk to life and property. However, wildfire is unpredictable and can be impossible to stop or control, regardless of what mitigation efforts you have taken. REALFire makes no warranties, guarantees or representations of any kind with respect to the effectiveness of any mitigation efforts you undertake in connection with your participation in the REALFire Program.



Summary of Required Actions

Siding, Vents & Openings

Vents: Are vents properly mitigated? (Select all that apply).

- ☐ Confirm that chimney vents are backed with 1/8 inch metal screening to prevent ember intrusion to structure; block other openings with metal flashing if no longer in use

Foundation to Zone 1A (0-5 ft)

Landscape Timbers: Are landscape timbers properly mitigated in Zone 1A?

- ☐ Minimize wood mulches near deck supports and exterior walls to prevent ignition by flying embers and fire spread to the structure. Replace with gravel or stone

Live and Dead Vegetation: if woody shrubs, trees or tree branches are present in Zone 1A, are they properly mitigated?

- ☐ Remove juniper and other woody shrubs below decks that may be ignited by flying embers

Under Decks: Is the area under all decks and extensions clear of combustible materials?

- ☐ Remove scrap lumber and old firewood that may be ignited by flying embers

Zone 1 (5 - 30 ft)

Trees: Are trees appropriately mitigated?

- ☐ Remove lower branches on spruce trees 6ft from the ground to prevent fire spread to the tree canopy. Remove dead and dying aspen trees

Are Junipers or cedar hedges absent from Zone 1?

- ☐ Remove juniper hedge near corner of building to prevent fire spread to exterior walls

Accessory Structures & Personal Property

Detached Accessory Structures: Are other structures in Zone 1 properly mitigated?



Accessory Structures & Personal Property

- ☐ Consider enclosing garbage areas to prevent ember ignition by flying embers and fire spread to nearby structures



Roof and Eaves

What is the roof type? (Select all that apply).

Non-Combustible

- Asphalt

Condition: Is the roof in good condition?

Yes

Roof Design: Are dormers or other complex features mitigated to help protect from ignition (roof covering and exposed wall junction)?

Yes

Debris: Are the roof, gutters, eaves, Solar Panels and Skylights free of combustible debris (needles, leaves and nests) and properly mitigated? (Select all that apply).

Yes (Pass all)



Roof and Eaves

Gutters: Is the roof edge above the gutters protected by metal angle flashing and are the gutters and downspouts noncombustible?

Yes (Pass all)

Eaves: Is open eave construction properly mitigated?

Yes

Siding, Vents & Openings

Siding Type: Is the siding combustible or noncombustible?

Mix of Both Types

- Combustible- D-space

Siding Condition: Is the siding free of gaps, holes, or other areas where embers could accumulate, lodge, or penetrate?

Yes

Siding, Vents & Openings

Base of Walls: Are combustible components of walls properly protected (clearance or flashing) from ignition?

Yes

Vents: Are vents properly mitigated? (Select all that apply).

No...

- No-Other Vents
- No-Wall

Mitigation Specialist Comment(s):

- Confirm that chimney vents are backed with 1/8 inch metal screening to prevent ember intrusion to structure; block other openings with metal flashing if no longer in use



Figure 1



Figure 2

Siding, Vents & Openings

Windows: Are all single-pane windows properly mitigated? (Select only one).

N/A

Unenclosed floor area: Are overhangs and other exposed areas properly protected? (Select all that apply).

Yes (Pass all)

Other Openings: Are other openings (dog doors, crawl space doors, cellar doors, other) properly mitigated?

N/A

Garage Doors: Are garage doors free of gaps? Are plastic windows mitigated? (Select all that apply).

Yes (Pass all)

Decks, Porches and Structure Attachments



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Is there a minimum 5 foot distance between any wood fences and the closest structure wall or overhang?

Yes

Deck Materials

Response

- Non-Rated Wood
- Non-Rated Composite
- Heavy Timber

Deck Connection: Is there protection at combustible siding to deck junction?

Yes

Deck Condition: Are deck boards in good condition (free from rot and large cracks)?

Yes

Decks, Porches and Structure Attachments

Items on Deck: Is the top of the deck AND deck-to-wall intersection free of combustible material (fire wood/pine needles)?

Yes

Other Attachments: Are other attachments (trellis, arbor, dog house, lattice, landings) properly mitigated?

Yes



Figure 1

Foundation to Zone 1A (0-5 ft)

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Noncombustible Surface: Is there a noncombustible surface extending around the entire home and any attachments such as decks?

Yes



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Foundation to Zone 1A (0-5 ft)

Live and Dead Vegetation: if woody shrubs, trees or tree branches are present in Zone 1A, are they properly mitigated?

No

Mitigation Specialist Comment(s):

- Remove juniper and other woody shrubs below decks that may be ignited by flying embers

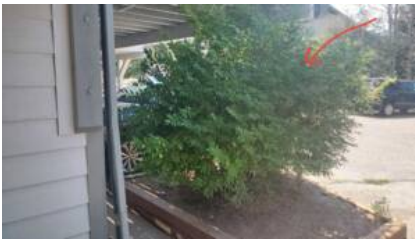


Figure 1



Figure 2

Foundation to Zone 1A (0-5 ft)

Landscape Timbers: Are landscape timbers properly mitigated in Zone 1A?

No

Mitigation Specialist Comment(s):

- Minimize wood mulches near deck supports and exterior walls to prevent ignition by flying embers and fire spread to the structure. Replace with gravel or stone



Figure 1

Foundation to Zone 1A (0-5 ft)

Under Decks: Is the area under all decks and extensions clear of combustible materials?

No

Mitigation Specialist Comment(s):

- Remove scrap lumber and old firewood that may be ignited by flying embers



Figure 1



Figure 2

Zone 1 (5 - 30 ft)

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Trees: Are trees appropriately mitigated?

No...

- **No-Remove or Mitigate**

Mitigation Specialist Comment(s):

- Remove lower branches on spruce trees 6ft from the ground to prevent fire spread to the tree canopy. Remove dead and dying aspen trees



Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3



Figure 4



Figure 5

Zone 1 (5 - 30 ft)

Pine Needles: Are deep accumulations of pine needles, mulches and grasses raked away from high value trees in Zone 1?

Yes

Are Junipers or cedar hedges absent from Zone 1?

No

Mitigation Specialist Comment(s):

- Remove juniper hedge near corner of building to prevent fire spread to exterior walls



Figure 1

Shrubs: Are shrubs well spaced and removed from the drip line of "keep" trees in Zone 1?

Yes

Zone 1 (5 - 30 ft)

Are all grasses and weeds cut to a maximum of 6in or less?

Yes

Surface Fuels: Are heavy accumulations of branches, logs, pine needles and wood chips removed from Zone 1?

Yes

Zone 2/3 (30 - 100+ft)

Topography: Is slope adjustment required for Zone 2?

N/A

Conifers: Is there proper crown spacing between conifers and/or appropriate clumping in Zone 2/3?

N/A

Zone 2/3 (30 - 100+ft)

Aspen: Are aspen present?

N/A

Shrubs: Are shrubs well spaced and removed from the drip line of "keep" trees in Zone 2?

N/A

Low Limbing: Are the lowest branches in Zone 2, removed within 6-10 ft from the ground or limbed to 1/3 the height of the tree, whichever is less?

N/A

Surface Fuels: Are heavy accumulations of dead branches, logs, pine needles and wood chips removed in Zone 2?

N/A

Accessory Structures & Personal Property

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Detached Accessory Structures: Are other structures in Zone 1 properly mitigated?

No

Mitigation Specialist Comment(s):

- Consider enclosing garbage areas to prevent ember ignition by flying embers and fire spread to nearby structures



Figure 1

Firewood: Are firewood piles stored at least 30ft from all structures and are there are least 10ft of clearance between the piles and the closest conifer branches?

N/A

Propane Tanks: Are propane tanks properly mitigated?

N/A



Accessory Structures & Personal Property

Other Items: Are other combustible items (scrap lumber, junk, cars, boats, rvs, etc.) properly mitigated?

N/A

Insurance

Underinsurance: Are you aware that a large percentage of homeowners are NOT adequately insured?

Yes

Home Inventory: Have you conducted a home inventory and stored it in a safe place outside of your home?

Yes

Emergency Preparedness

Evacuation: Have you practiced and/or actually evacuated your home?

Yes



Emergency Preparedness

Belongings: Have you prepared a disaster evacuation kit and a list of items to take with you?

Yes

Communication: Have you planned how your family will stay in contact (and where you will meet) if separated during a wildfire?

Yes

Pets: Do you have a plan for evacuating your pets?

Yes

Address Marker: Is there a proper property address marker?

Yes

Community Involvement



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Neighbors: Have you talked to your neighbors about coordinating mitigation efforts?

Yes

Community: Would you like more information on existing wildfire programs in your community?

Yes

General Comments

General Assessor Comments
