

FireWise Clean-up & Curb-side Pickup Summary

July 2022

Thank-you to all of those who participated in the Pinebrook HOA FireWise clean-up of our neighborhood. A few went above & beyond: Chuck Brown, Scott Billings, Nate Gladney, Burt Lauray, Fred Baker & Mike Rodgers. If I missed anybody, please forgive me.

Last year we were already into fire season at this point. With all the rain this year, it has been delayed, but it is right around the corner. Although we removed a massive amount of fire fuels from our HOA (~100 trailer loads & ~15 dead trees), there is still plenty more that could go. This is a work-in-progress – as long as plants & trees are growing & dying, we will have to keep on it to have a better chance of surviving a fire in our neighborhood, should one start. I realize that we cannot eliminate the chance of a fire, but we can greatly reduce it.

Next year I will try (again) to get grant money to fund outside help. We will be focusing on the transition of the common areas to native/fire-resistant/pollinator friendly plants in odd numbered years & fire fuel removal from properties & common areas in even numbered years. I will also try to get the adjacent HOAs involved in the FireWise program. I am currently in communication with River Canyon Estates regarding their interest in joining the program.

So, please continue to fill your yard debris bins with fire debris from your lot & your adjacent common area, to keep us all safer.

Thank-you, Rod Jacobson