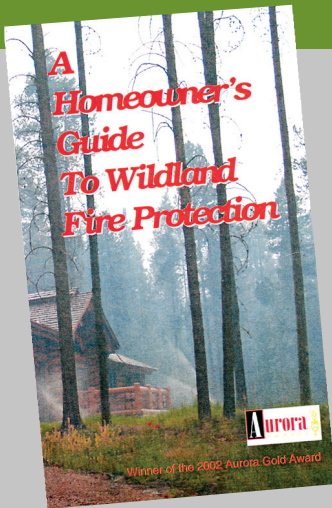


# Resource Guide



## A Homeowner's Guide to Wildland Fire Protection

**Video**

*Cost:* \$8.20 including shipping. *Order from:* Jackson/Teton County Fire Department; P.O. Box 901; Jackson, WY 83301 or call (307) 733-4732.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses

## Are You Firewise?

**Video (11:00 min.)/Notebook**

Introduces basic points homeowners need to consider and steps to take to protect homes from wildfire in wildland/urban interface. Attempts to make homeowners look at their property's hazard risk the way fire professionals do. Useful for planners, fire personnel and local officials. The "Are You Firewise" notebook, produced by the Colorado State Forest Service, includes fact sheets and slides on topics including: firefighting vehicle accessibility to homes, water supply, defensible space. Video included.

*Cost:* \$10 for the VHS video; \$50 for notebook with video. *To order, write to:* Judy Serby, Colorado State Forest Service, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO 80523-5060, or call (970) 491-7559. *E-mail:* [jserby@lamar.colostate.edu](mailto:jserby@lamar.colostate.edu).

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official  
Planner/Architects/Builders/Contractors

## Building a Firewise Home

**Video (20:04 min.)**

Provides prevention offices and those working with cooperators features that should be considered when building a home in the wildland/urban interface. Encourages builders and contractors to learn more about the particular features of homes susceptible to ignition from wildfire. Includes ways to improve a home's chances of survival by suggesting to homeowners use of alternative materials and design elements, and where to place structure in a firesafe location on lot.

*Cost:* Free. *Contact:* Firewise, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169.  
*E-mail:* [cblake@nfpa.org](mailto:cblake@nfpa.org). Catalog No. FWC-601-97-V.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Planner/Architects/Builders/Contractors

## Burning Issues CD

Florida State University and U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management Multimedia program addresses wildland fire issues. High school and middle school students use interactive features to learn about role of fire in ecosystems. Four fire ecoventures are available to help students explore prescribed fire, and home and community protection/planning in wildland/urban interface. Activity requires users to put what they have learned to work when a wildland fire is reported.

*Cost:* \$2. *Order at* [www.symbols.gov](http://www.symbols.gov), click on National Symbols Catalog and Fire Education or *contact:* National Symbols Cache, 402 SE 11th Street, Grand Rapids, MN 55744, or call (218) 327-4282.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Students/Teachers/Kids

## Colorado State Forest Service Natural Resources Series Fact Sheets

For Colorado homeowners and planners to protect homes from wildfires. Topics include defensible space, landscaping, home fire safety and vegetation. A homeowner wildfire preparation checklist, Firewise plant list, defensible space diagram and native grass tables provide information at a glance.

Available at [www.ext.colostate.edu](http://www.ext.colostate.edu). Click on Drought/Fire, Fact Sheets, Fire Resources.

Cost: Single copy, free. Ten copies for \$1. Contact: Judy Serby, Colorado State Forest Service, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO 80523-5060, or call (970) 491-7559.

E-mail: [jserby@lamar.colostate.edu](mailto:jserby@lamar.colostate.edu).

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Planner/Architects/Builders/Contractors

## Communicator's Guide: Wildland Fire Book/Web Site

### Book/Web site

Provides background information about all aspects of wildland fire including: ecological, social and policy aspects of wildland fire, programming ideas, sample materials and resources for communicators. Useful for everyone who communicates to the public about wildland fire including fire personnel, teachers, and community leaders.

Available at [www.nifc.gov](http://www.nifc.gov) under Prevention and Education section.

Cost: \$7. Order at [www.symbols.gov](http://www.symbols.gov), click on National Symbols Catalog, then Fire Education.

By mail, contact: National Symbols Cache, 402 SE 11th Street, Grand Rapids, MN 55744, or call (218) 327-4282.

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## Developing a Cooperative Approach to Wildland Fire Protection

### Book/Video/Web site

Addressing wildland/urban interface fire problems requires a community and interagency understanding of resource management challenges associated with urban growth, and is best accomplished at local levels where problems are most immediate. Describes process that may be adopted for use by many agencies for common purpose of fire protection.

Available at [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org). Click on Resource Section.

Cost: Free for booklet and video set. To order, contact Firewise, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169. E-mail: [cblake@nfpa.org](mailto:cblake@nfpa.org). Catalog No. FWC-600-97-V.

Suggested audience: Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official

## Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

**Web site:** [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov)

Offers news releases, fact sheets, prevention and preparation information, situation updates, and checklists on wildfires and other disaster information. The FEMA for Kids wildfire section provides educational activities.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official  
Students/Teachers/Kids

## FEMA Region VIII Wildfires Web Site

**Web site:** [www.fema.gov/regions/viii/fires.shtm](http://www.fema.gov/regions/viii/fires.shtm)

Offers wildfire-related information for Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming. Includes preparedness, prevention and assessment fact sheets and checklists, news releases on wildfire disaster declarations and assistance, Fire Management Assistance Grants, and links to other fire-related sites.

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Community/Local Official  
Students/Teachers/Kids

## Fire Education Materials Web Site

**Web site:** [www.symbols.gov](http://www.symbols.gov)

National Symbols Catalog's Fire Education section offers a variety of materials for educating children and homeowners. These newly developed materials expand on traditional fire prevention messages and include wildland fire ecology, fire behavior, fire suppression, recreational and home fire safety, wildland/urban fire protection.

Offers activity and coloring books, and other products for order by state agencies, fire departments, school teachers, and other authorized groups. Provides links to several fire-related Web sites with information for educators, and agency and state resources.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official  
Students/Teachers/Kids

## Firewise Communities

**Pamphlet**

Provides information to make homes safe from fires including tips for landscaping and maintenance, construction, a disaster plan, and emergency access.

*Cost:* Free. *Contact:* Firewise, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169.

*E-mail:* [cblake@nfpa.org](mailto:cblake@nfpa.org)

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official  
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## Firewise Communities/USA

Provides an overview of the Firewise Communities/USA program that aims to encourage and support action to minimize home loss to wildfire in fire-prone communities. Outlines basic steps ideal for small communities, developments and residential associations to assess wildfire risks and create their own networks of cooperating homeowners, agencies and organizations to identify and implement local solutions to the wildfire issue.

*Cost:* Free. *Contact:* Firewise, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169.

*E-mail:* [cblake@nfpa.org](mailto:cblake@nfpa.org).

## Firewise Communities/USA: Creating a Firewise Community

**DVD/Video (17:00 min.)**

Firewise Communities/USA is a national recognition program developed to support and encourage fire-prone communities as they develop area-specific solutions to the wildfire issue. Series explains standards that must be met by participants and showcases efforts of five recognized Firewise Communities.

*Cost:* Free. *Order at* [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org). *Click on* Publications Catalog or *contact:* Firewise, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169. *E-mail:* [cblake@nfpa.org](mailto:cblake@nfpa.org). *Catalog No.* FWC-605-02V (VHS). *Catalog No.* FWC-606-02-DV (DVD).

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official

## Firewise Communities Workshops are a Successful Part of a Comprehensive Program

**Booklet**

August 2002 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) article reprint provides information about Firewise Communities workshops, and examples of communities across the nation and how they participated and benefited from the workshops.

*Cost:* Free. *Contact:* Firewise, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169.

*E-mail:* [cblake@nfpa.org](mailto:cblake@nfpa.org).

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official

## Firewise Construction Design and Materials

**Book/Web site**

Provides homeowners and builders in the wildland/urban interface with design and building techniques that can offer more protection from wildland fires. Photos, drawings and diagrams help illustrate information on fire behavior, including the effects of fuel, topography, weather and home site location.

*Cost:* \$2.25 each. *Contact:* Judy Serby, Colorado State Forest Service, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO 80523-5060, or call (970) 491-7559.

*E-mail:* [jserby@lamar.colostate.edu](mailto:jserby@lamar.colostate.edu). Also available at [www.firewise.org/co/](http://www.firewise.org/co/).

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Planner/Architects/Builders/Contractors



## Firewise Landscaping

### **3-part Video Series/Web site**

Part I: **Firewise Landscaping**      Part II: **Design and Installation**      Part III: **Maintenance**

Provides an overview of landscaping design essentials in wildland fire-prone areas and how a well-planned landscape can offer effective protection from wildfire to any home. Offers suggestions to help homeowners shape their landscape for best effect and Firewise use of materials. Stresses maintenance in keeping Firewise landscape functioning as a resistive barrier to wildfire. Provides landscape professionals with ideas to create visual harmony and fire safety using appropriate landscape design principles. Useful for agency representatives when presenting wildfire prevention information.

Available at [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org). Click on Resources Section, or order free set. Contact Firewise, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169. E-mail: [cblake@nfpa.org](mailto:cblake@nfpa.org). Catalog No. FWC-612-93-V.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Planner/Architects/Builders/Contractors

## Firewise Web Site

**Web site:** [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org)

Designed to provide wildfire protection information for fire services and homeowners. Offers wildfire news, online publications catalog, and resource documents and videos. Provides links to several fire-related websites.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official  
Planner/Architects/Builders/Contractors  
Students/Teachers/Kids

## Is Your Home Protected From Wildfire Disaster? A Homeowner's Guide to Wildfire Retrofit

**Book/Web site**

Institute for Business and Home Safety

Provides homeowners with guidance on retrofitting and building homes to reduce losses from wildfire damage. Contains suggestions and recommendations on home landscaping, building materials and design, estimated costs, and wildfire protection checklist on precautions to take before, during and after wildfire strikes.

*Cost:* Free. Available at [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org). Click on Resource Section. For free guide, contact Firewise, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169. E-mail: [cblake@nfpa.org](mailto:cblake@nfpa.org). Catalog No. FWC-001-01-BK.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses

## Living With Fire: A Guide for the Homeowner

**Newspaper insert**

This guide for homeowners features practical tips on firewise landscaping and building defensible space, as well as advice on what to do as wildfire approaches.

*Cost:* Call the Colorado State Forest Service in Fort Collins, Colorado, for a free copy. (970) 491-6303.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
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## Living With Wildfire

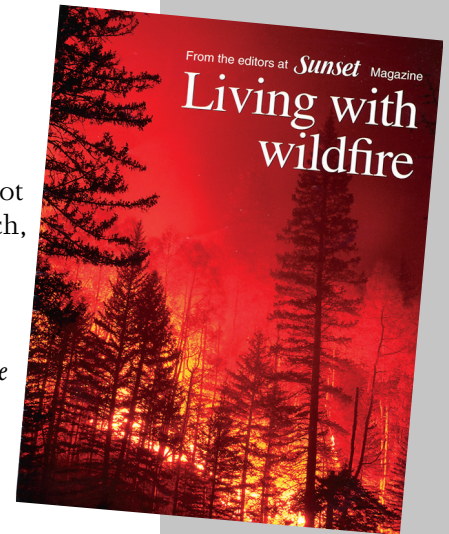
### Booklet

Sunset Magazine, April 2001

Provides a history of major wildfires in the western United States. Focuses on pilot projects as models for forest fire reduction. Features successful education outreach, disaster preparedness and burned land rehabilitation efforts. Provides tips on creating defensible space around homes and information to assist homeowners, planners and builders determine the fire-resistance of roof types.

*Cost:* Single copy \$3.50 or \$1.25 each (for 100 or more) plus tax/shipping. *Write to:* Living With Wildfire, Editorial Services, Sunset Publishing Corp., 80 Willow Rd., Menlo Park, CA 94025.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Planner/Architects/Builders/Contractors



## Living With Wildfires: Prevention, Preparation & Recovery

### Book

Bradford Publishing, May 2003

Details the process of correctly landscaping property to create defensible space. Also contains helpful information about what to do if you have to evacuate your home, including checklists and other methods of preparation. Includes advice about what to do before you return home after a wildfire. Also includes an extensive list of resources for homeowners.

*Cost:* \$19.95 Visit [www.bradfordpublishing.com](http://www.bradfordpublishing.com) or call (303) 292-2590.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official  
Planner/Architects/Builders/Contractors

## Making Your Home Firewise

### Video (22:29 min.)/Web site

Ideas and techniques for homeowners when constructing or modifying homes in wildland/urban interface areas. Gives homeowner initial Firewise property assessment. Topics include roofs, windows, eaves, decks, and landscaping. Provides information that a prevention officer or anyone with cooperative duties can use in presentation or discussion for various local groups.

*Cost:* Free. Available at [www.Firewise.org](http://www.Firewise.org). Click on Firewise Resources. *Contact:* Firewise, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169. *E-mail:* [cblake@nfpa.org](mailto:cblake@nfpa.org). Catalog No. FWC-620-01-V.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official

## National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)

**Web site:** [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org)

Information on NFPA's mission of reducing fire and other hazards by providing and advocating codes and standards. Research, training and education are available. Also provides online catalog offering thousands of fire prevention and education videos, books and other products.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official  
Students/Teachers/Kids

## National Interagency Fire Center (NIFC)

**Web site:** [www.nifc.gov](http://www.nifc.gov)

Offers current information on wildland fire, prevention and education, wildland fire statistics, and links to other fire-related sites, guides and publications.

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Community/Local Official  
Students/Teachers/Kids

## National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG)

**Web site:** [www.nwcg.gov](http://www.nwcg.gov)

Offers electronic bibliography of wildland fire Web sites and order catalogs of wildfire prevention materials. Also provides fire education documents for teachers and educators.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Students/Teachers/Kids

## The Oakland/Berkeley Hills Fire Book and Video

**Video (22:00 min.)/Book/Web site**

NFPA

Case study of 1991 Oakland/Berkeley Hills Fire in California. Documents fire, explains variables causing destruction and makes recommendations to prevent similar occurrences. Encourages discussion and assists planners, local officials, fire service personnel, and homeowners in developing fire-safe homes and communities in wildland/urban interface.

*Cost:* Free. *Document and video available at* [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org). *Click on* Firewise Resources. *To order, contact:* Firewise, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169. *E-mail:* [cblake@nfpa.org](mailto:cblake@nfpa.org). *Catalog No.* FWC-604-92-V.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official  
Planner/Architects/Builders/Contractors

## Planning for Water Supply and Distribution in Wildland/ Urban Interface: Operation Water

**Video (22:00 min.)/Book**

NFPA

Provides information to assist firefighters, homeowners, and local officials plan for water supply and distribution in wildland/urban interface. Implementing plan will help meet water requirements for specified area and improve firefighting capabilities.

*Cost:* Free. *To order, contact:* Firewise, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169.

*E-mail:* [cblake@nfpa.org](mailto:cblake@nfpa.org). Catalog No. FWC-621-92-V.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official

## Protecting Your Property From Wildfire

**Pamphlet**

North Dakota Forest Service

Checklist helps homeowners evaluate the fire-safe condition of their homes or farmsteads in their surroundings. Provides a list of circumstances to be evaluated to measure wildland fire safety.

*Cost:* Free. *To order, contact* Colleen Reinke, North Dakota Forest Service, 1511 E Interstate Ave., Bismarck, ND 58503.

*E-mail:* [Colleen.Reinke@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:Colleen.Reinke@ndsu.nodak.edu) or call (701) 328-9990.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses

## Saving Homes from Wildfires: Regulating the Home Ignition Zone

**Booklet**

*American Planning Association Zoning News*, May 2001

Examines threat to wildland/urban interface zone where wildfires can potentially ignite homes and determine how development codes can be used to save residential areas.

*Cost:* \$5. *Contact:* Zoning News, American Planning Association, 122 S. Michigan Ave., Suite 1600, Chicago, IL 60603. *E-mail:* [zoningnews@planning.org](mailto:zoningnews@planning.org).

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official  
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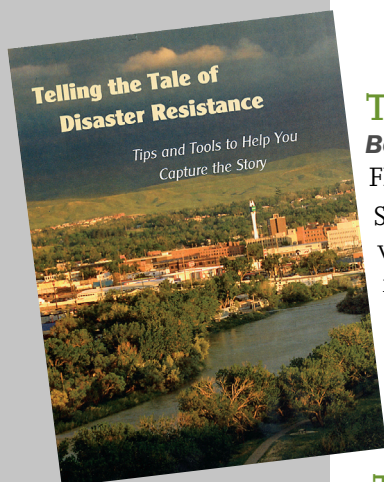
## Smokey Bear

**Web site:** [www.smokeybear.com](http://www.smokeybear.com)

Provides activities for children in kindergarten through 5th grade including forest and fire facts, the Smokey Bear story, and fire prevention rules. Also has teacher's and wildland fire communicator's guides featuring lesson plans on ecology and wildland fire.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
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## Telling the Tale of Disaster Resistance

### **Book**

FEMA

Step-by-step guide on how to document disaster-resistance efforts. Offers guidance for developing story leads, researching and documenting projects, and creating and promoting a finished product.

*Cost:* Free copies while supplies last. *Contact:* FEMA Region VIII Office of Public Affairs, Building 710, Denver Federal Center, Denver, CO 80225 or call (303) 235-4909.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official

## Ten Steps to Being Firewise in North Dakota

### **Pamphlet**

North Dakota Forest Service

This 10-step wildfire mitigation brochure provides homeowners with information to help create defensible space around the home, and to become more knowledgeable about wildfire conditions in North Dakota.

*Cost:* Free. *Contact:* Colleen Reinke, North Dakota Forest Service, 1511 E Interstate Ave., Bismarck, ND 58503. *E-mail:* [Colleen.Reinke@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:Colleen.Reinke@ndsu.nodak.edu) or call (701) 328-9990.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses

## U.S. Fire Administration (USFA)

**Web site:** [www.usfa.fema.gov](http://www.usfa.fema.gov)

Provides fire-related information, links, and publications for fire service and public. Fire service section provides current wildland fire information and news. USFA's kids page offers fire games and activities, home fire safety information, and guide for parents and teachers.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official  
Students/Teachers/Kids

## U.S. Forest Service — Fire and Aviation Management

**Web site:** [www.fs.fed.us/fire](http://www.fs.fed.us/fire)

Information on latest wildfire news, wildland fire safety, prevention and education, and link to publications.

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Community/Local Official  
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## Wildfire Home or Farm Hazard Rating

### **Pamphlet**

North Dakota Forest Service

Brochure provides homeowners with simple method to conduct a “Wildfire Home or Farm Fire Hazard Rating” for their residences or farmsteads.

*Cost:* Free. *Contact:* Colleen Reinke, North Dakota Forest Service, 1511 E Interstate Ave., Bismarck, ND 58503. *E-mail:* [Colleen.Reinke@ndsu.nodak.edu](mailto:Colleen.Reinke@ndsu.nodak.edu) or call (701) 328-9990.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses

## Wildfire Mitigation in the Wildland/Urban Interface

**Video (17:52 min.)/Web site:** [www.cnr.colostate.edu/FS/restoration](http://www.cnr.colostate.edu/FS/restoration)

Colorado State University

Showcases small-scale harvesting equipment options available for people interested in reducing wildfire hazard on small acreage units. Helps viewer understand change in forest structure through past 100 years, and implication to wildfire activity. Educational for all audiences including homeowners and contractors.

*Cost:* \$6 plus tax and shipping/handling. *Call* (877) 692-9358.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Planner/Architects/Builders/Contractors

## Wildfire News

**Web site:** [www.wildfirenews.com](http://www.wildfirenews.com)

Useful for firefighters and others interested in wildfire-related topics. Provides current worldwide news, fire reports, maps, and information on fire protection and prevention, safety, and employment. Links to fire-related sites including fire agencies and organizations, classified job ads, training, and products.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official

## Wildfire! Preventing Home Ignitions

**Video (19:00 min.)/Web site**

Describes how a wildfire can ignite a home. Homeowners will learn how the combustion process causes home ignitions, how some homes are destroyed while others survive, and how most effective home protection efforts can occur with “Home Ignition Zone.”

*Available at* [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org). *Click on* Firewise Resources.

*Cost:* Free. *Contact:* Firewise, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169.

*E-mail:* [cblake@nfpa.org](mailto:cblake@nfpa.org). Catalog No. FWC-623-01-V.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses

## Wildland/Urban Interface Fire Hazard Assessment Methodology

**Book/Web site**

Helps homeowners, businesses and planners assess potential of fire on homes in existing housing developments and planned new developments in a wildland environment. Offers five-step method for assessing hazards of wildland/urban interface area.

*Cost:* Free. *Available at* [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org). *To order, contact* Firewise, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169. *E-mail:* [cblake@nfpa.org](mailto:cblake@nfpa.org). Catalog No. FWC-003-98-BK.

*Suggested audience:* Homeowners/Fire Service and Educators/Businesses  
Community/Local Official  
Planner/Architects/Builders/Contractors