

#### Norval Olson – Colorado (retired- Colorado Parks and Wildlife)



## Saws and whaaaaaa?

"We are a group of mountain folk who celebrate living in the Rockies by purposefully working to fire mitigate around our homes (with chainsaws) then feasting together as neighbors (with coleslaws and other pot-luck fare)."





#### Young and old(er), seasoned and green...



## in the beginning...





#### WUI and the need for mitigation



Wildfire, Wildlands, and People: Wildfire, Wildlands, and Preparing for Understanding and Preparing Interface Wildfire in the Wildland-Urban Interface

Wildfire, Wildlands, and People:

#### JEFFERSON COUNTY COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION PLAN

GILPIN COUNTY, COLORADO

Community Wildfire Protection Plan

#### **1 INTRODUCTION**

#### 1.1 CWPP Purpose

The Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) is a strategic plan that identifies specific wildland fire risks facing communities and neighborhoods and provides prioritized mitigation recommendations that are designed to reduce those risks. The purpose of the fire behavior analysis and community wildfire hazard rating is to provide a comprehensive, scientificallybased assessment of the wildfire hazards and risks within Jefferson County. This CWPP is not a legal document. There is no legal requirement to implement the recommendations herein. Once the CWPP is adopted, it is the community's responsibility to move forward and implement the action items. This may require further planning at the project level, acquisition of funds, and

#### "Fire was going to happen... It was a question of when, not if."



Lester Karplus, Wildfire Partners certified... and Cold Springs Fire survivor.

### *"Firefighters are heroes, but homeowners that perform mitigation are heroes, too."*



Are you ready to become a Wildfire Partners #MitigationHero?







### Data for Select Colorado Fires

	Unit	Started	Acres	Cause	Structure loss
Black Tiger	Roosevelt NF	7/9/89	2,100	accidental	44 SFR
Hayman	Pike NF	6/8/02	138,144	arson	133 SFR,466 OB
Fourmile Canyon	Roosevelt NF	9/6/10	6,181	human	168 SFR
Black Forest	private	6/11/13	14,280	Under invest.	509 SFR
Waldo Canyon	Pike NF	6/23/12	18,247	unknown	346 SFR
Cold Springs	Roosevelt NF	7/9/16	528	human	8 SFR
Hayden Pass	San Isabel NF	7/8/16	16,754 (8/4/16)	lightning	
Beaver Creek	Routt NF	6/19/16	37,627 (9/4/16)	Under invest.	

### Data for Select California Fires

	Unit	Started	Acres	Cause	Structure loss
Soberanes	Los Padres NF	7/22/16	123,241 (9/21/16)	Illegal campfire	
Sand	Angeles NF	7/22/16	41,432 (8/6/16)	Under invest.	
Cedar	Sequoia NF	8/16/16	29,322 (9/5/16)	Under invest.	
Blue Cut	San Bernardino NF	8/16/16	37,020 (8/22/16)	unknown	105 SFR, 216 OB
Rey	Los Padres NF	8/18/16	33,606 (9/18/16)	Under invest.	
Gap	Klamath NF	8/27/16	33,867 (9/16/16)	unknown	
Ken	San Bernardino NF	9/3/16	20 (9/4/16)	Under invest.	

### S&S training and volunteers

Forest Health Management Educational Opportunity



#### Chainsaw Safety and Skills Training

RESCHEDULED: Saturday, June 9th

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

training begins at Coal Creek Canyon Fire Station #1, 30579 Highway 72, then will go to field

This quality, hands-on training will give you the skills you need to effectively and safely use a chainsaw for forest health and property main

Training will be presented in three parts:

- Chainsaw Maintenance cutting safely
- Chainsaw Safety & Personal Protective cutting.











## S&S block event Safety!



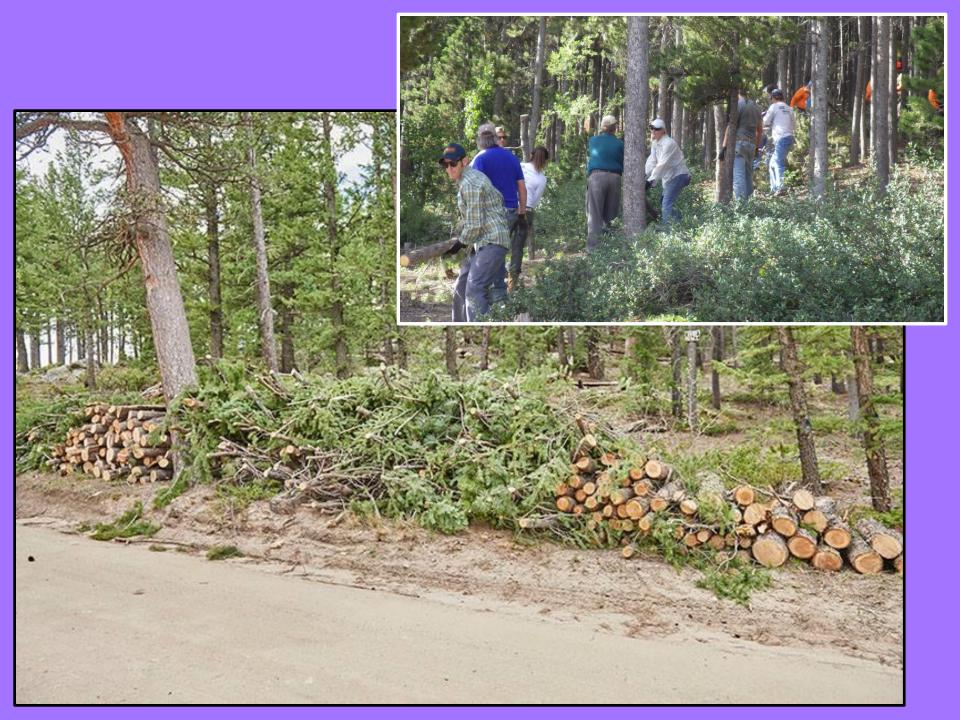






## Slash and chipping











### Slaw time!





# S&S grant work, firewood, appreciation, awareness events









## S&S awards



