

Topic	2015 Priority	Pine Forest Owners Association Firewise Actions	Lead
Outreach & Education	√	Post Firewise welcome, intro, checklists, sample maps, & tracking sheet on the website & Facebook page.	Anne & Heather
	√	Post Community Assessment, once finalized. (Need to send edits to Kirsten.)	Anne & Heather
		Post weekly Firewise FAQs.	
	√	Announce availability of Pine Forest-funded ladder fuel reduction & need to sign up.	Heather
Building Approvals		Investigate revising the architectural guidelines to discourage non-Firewise building, including the use of highly flammable materials such as cedar shakes & siding.	
		Investigate requiring installation of Firewise address signs at the start of construction.	
Fuel Reduction	√	Reduce ladder fuels & thin trees in greenbelts & along roads.	Brad
		Seek change of fish-bearing designation for Thompson Creek	Done
		Conduct non-commercial thinning & pruning along Thompson Creek for home protection.	Brad
	√	Facilitate no-cost ladder fuel reduction for interested property owners. Advise owners to disperse chips to no more than 2" thickness.	Heather
Fire Breaks		Work with adjacent land owners to implement fuel reduction projects (recommended in 2006 CWPP).	
		Create fire breaks around perimeter of neighborhood (recommended in 2006 CWPP).	
		Expand fire breaks along roads (recommended in 2006 CWPP).	
Emergency Notification		Encourage homeowners to sign up for alerts (through okanoganem.org or at 422-7206).	
		Develop mechanism with which to identify locations with full-time residents.	
	√	Develop & disseminate a phone tree.	Heather
Emergency Egress	√	Provide an air horn for every house, with instructions to use only to warn of Level 3 evacuation.	Heather
	√	Obtain USFS permission or concurrence to use Blue Jay/Meadowlark trails for emergency egress.	Jim (Rose for maps)
		Identify & implement necessary upgrades.	
		Provide for opening of gate(s), if locked.	
		Provide signage/map/instructions for egress.	
		Budget for regular monitoring & maintenance of emergency egress routes & prompt removal of any obstacles.	
	√	Pursue placing signs for alfalfa field evacuation route. Alternatives: Laminated map/instructions for each residence? Posting on Facebook or password-protected website? Include instructions w/r gates, route through alfalfa field, deciding which way to go & resources for staying informed about fires, etc..	Lynn (Rose for maps)
		Advise residents of danger associated with limited emergency egress & need to evacuate early if fire approaching.	
	Encourage owners to have individual emergency plan. Provide sample evacuation plan on Facebook & website.		
Emergency Access		Contact online map services to correct any errors in street locations & names (OCFD6 uses Okanogan County online maps, which are correct).	
	√	Seek road & driveway assessments from OFD6.	Jim & Cliff
		Widen roads to 22' driveable surface ( <a href="http://okanogancountyfd6.com/safetytips.html">http://okanogancountyfd6.com/safetytips.html</a> ); width also facilitates concurrent evacuation & response.	
		Ensure snow plowing maintains 22' width?	
		Need to keep Yellowleaf & Nighthawk open at both ends in winter?	
		Investigate possibilities for reducing grade for road segments currently > 10% (OCFD6).	
		Add turnouts. (Need to find recommended spacing.)	
		Add turnarounds at all dead-ends (min 96' diameter for cul-de-sac; see OCFD6 site above for alternative layouts).	
		Improve road surfaces.	
	Keep vegetation near roads cut back.		
	Consult with OFD6 about how best to identify Firewise driveways for fire fighters.		
	Identify roads that are inaccessible to fire vehicles.		
√	Acquire & install OCFD6-recommended address signs for all houses that lack them.	Brad	
√	Improve visibility of street sign from downhill side of Sugar Pine & Whitebark intersection.	Brad	
√	Improve visibility of street sign at Red Pine.	Brad	
Fire Fighting		Work with OFD6 to identify/develop safe zone(s) for firefighters throughout Pine Forest.	
		Upgrade water system to provide for standard hydrant coverage (recommended in 2006 CWPP).	
		Provide dry hydrant(s) &/or other mechanism(s) for obtaining water from Bristlecone Pond? Check w/ OFD6; could be moot if roads wide enough for big tanker trucks.	