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Community Wildfire Protection Plan - Proactive steps to reduce risks!



We are all concerned about wildfire — here's a chance to take proactive steps to reduce risks! Residents of the Fort Ross VFD Response Area* are invited to help develop the **Fort Ross VFD Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)** in conjunction with Fire Safe Sonoma and the Fort Ross Volunteer Fire Department. The first meeting is **Sunday, August 19th, 1-4 p.m.**, at the **Big Barn on Gualala Ranch**. Potluck drinks and munchies welcome. A CWPP is a collaboratively developed plan that assesses our wildfire risks and produces a prioritized list of projects and

activities that will reduce wildfire risks to people, property, and the environment. The process brings together concerned residents, firefighters, agencies, and community groups with an interest in protecting community values. The result will be a comprehensive plan to help focus our efforts on fuels reduction and community safety. Projects listed in a CWPP are given priority in many wildfire prevention grant programs.

Arriving at consensus on these complicated issues takes time, information, and careful discussion. Your participation will help create a plan that reflects our community's unique concerns and needs. Please join us in the process.

This project is funded by a grant from CAL FIRE.

For more information about this meeting, and directions to the Big Barn, email Mary DeDanan at dedanan@mcn.org.

*The project boundary for this CWPP is the area served by the Fort Ross VFD. Not sure if you're in it? Please email us. We welcome participation from our neighbors outside of these boundaries, but this CWPP's strategies and priorities will reflect the FRVFD area. This is a pilot project that will create a template available in the near future to anyone interested in creating a CWPP for their community; please email us to be informed when that template is available.

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