

Preparing For Wildland Fire

Solano County Office of Emergency Services

Are You Ready For Fire Season?



- Remove dead or overhanging branches. During the windy conditions that exist during a wildland fire, flames sparks and firebrands could travel from the tree to the roof of the structure.
- Remove leaf accumulation from your yard. Leaf accumulation provides fuel for a wildland fire.
- Remove leaf clutter from your roof and gutters. During a wildland fire, leaves on the roof and gutters could be ignited by flying timbers.
- Remove tall dry grasses and weeds. Clear all tall grasses and weeds 100 feet from your home. These can provide a path for fire that can lead directly to your home.
- **Remove "ladder fuels".** Prune tree limbs so the lowest is between 6' to 10' from the ground. Fire burning through tall, dry grass could ignite these limbs and climb to the top of the tree with relative ease.
- Check your generator and/or hose to be sure it is in good repair. Refuel garden equipment carefully away from flammable grasses and weeds.. Yard equipment needs annual maintenance and proper fueling. Hoses can develop leaks and deteriorate with age and exposure.
- Prune bushes and shrubs regularly. Remove excess growth as well as dead leaves and branches to decrease their flammability, and the threat that they could pose during a wildland fire.