For Immediate Release: Corbett Fire Department Hosts a Meeting to Discuss a FIREWISE COMMUNITY

Corbett Fire Department Corbett, Oregon January 18, 2023

On January 26, 2023 at 7:00 PM the Corbett Firewise chapter and the Corbett Fire Department will host a meeting at the Menucha Conference Center which is located at 38711 East Historic Columbia River Highway. At the meeting, participants will discuss the FIREWISE program that relies on the participation from community members living within the boundaries of the Corbett Fire Department, including Springdale, Aims, Latourell, and Bridal Veil.

The FIREWISE program promotes the creation of “defensible space” as an effective tool to reduce the likelihood of homes igniting in a wildfire. “Defensible Space” has been proven to protect homes and lives from wildfire. Many “defensible space” projects are common home maintenance tasks or can be easily added to regular property projects.

In the last six years, the Corbett community has experienced two significant wildland fire events in 2017 and 2020, so it is critical that the community be prepared for this possibility. FIREWISE is a volunteer system that was designed by the USDA Forest Service and is sponsored by the National Fire Protection Association and the Oregon Department of Forestry. FIREWISE is currently active in 42 states.

Attend the meeting on January 26, to get more information, provide your input, and see what is on the horizon for Corbett FIREWISE. Coffee and tea will be served.

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