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## May 2nd Is Wildfire Community Preparedness Day



***Get Ready for Wildfire Community Preparedness Day!***

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take action to protect our homes and communities from the threat of wildfires. This national campaign encourages individuals and organizations to come together to raise awareness and reduce wildfire risks.

### **Why It Matters**

Wildfires are a growing concern, but studies show that steps taken at and around your home can significantly reduce risks. The Home Ignition Zone (HIZ) — the area within 100 feet of your home — is a critical focus for wildfire safety. Simple actions like clearing the 5-foot zone around your home of flammable materials can make a big difference.

### **How You Can Participate**

This year, Wildfire Community Preparedness Day emphasizes what you can do on and around your property to enhance safety. Here are a few ideas to get started:

- **Clear Debris:** Remove dead plants, leaves, and other flammable materials from your yard, roof, and gutters.
- **Trim Vegetation:** Prune trees and shrubs to create defensible space and reduce fire hazards.
- **Choose Fire-Resistant Landscaping:** Opt for native, fire-resistant plants to enhance your property's resilience.
- **Engage Your Community:** Share tips with neighbors or attend an event to spread awareness about wildfire safety.

Wildfire Community Preparedness Day is a reminder that every action counts. By working together, we can create safer, more resilient communities.

**It's always a good time to [stay alert](#), [prepare your home](#), and know your [evacuation zone](#).**

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## SHOW SUPPORT FOR THE COUNTY COORDINATOR PROGRAM

# YOUR SIGNATURE MATTERS.

**Please sign the SB 973 Support Letter**

Many of you know our incredible County Coordinator, Amanda, and the amazing work she does to support wildfire resilience here in Shasta County through the Wildfire County Coordinator Program.

**Now, we need your help to keep this program strong!**

SB 973 will formalize and expand the Wildfire County Coordinator Program, ensuring it continues to provide the resources and coordination we need to protect our homes, landscapes, and way of life.

**Please take a moment to [sign the SB 973 Support Letter](#) and show your support for this vital program.**

*Together, we can make a difference in building a safer, more resilient Shasta County.*

**SIGN THE SUPPORT LETTER**

## Upcoming Events: Save the Dates

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## ***Here's What's Happening at SCFSC***

- **May 1st — Wildfire Ready Redding: Wildfire Preparedness Event**
  - Hosted by City of Redding Fire, join us for an afternoon full of fun family games about wildfire preparedness and meet your local heroes while learning how to stay safe.
  - **Location & Time**
    - Caldwell Park Soccer Field: 3 Quartz Hill Rd, Redding, CA 96003
    - Open from 2:30 PM - 5:30 PM
- **May 2nd — 75th Annual Boomtown Festival – Health Fair & Family Carnival**
  - Join us at the Boomtown Festival on Saturday, May 2nd. Stop by the Shasta County Fire Safe Council booth to say hi and learn how we're working to keep our community safe.
  - **Location & Time**
    - Clair Engle Park: Front St, Shasta Lake, CA 96019, USA
    - Open from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

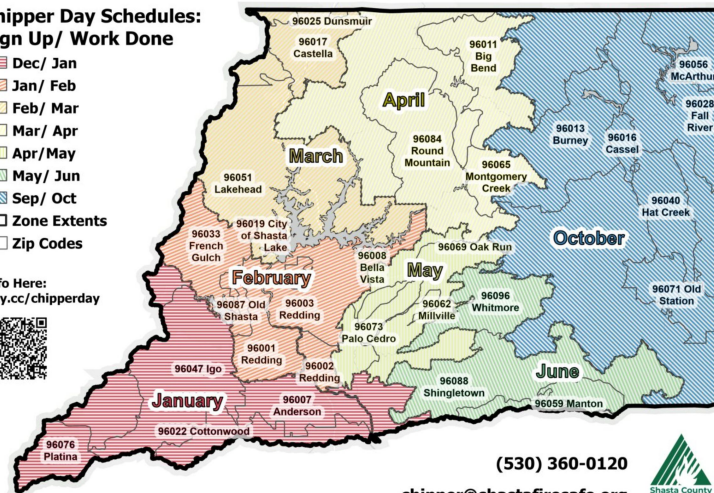
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[chipper@shastafiresafe.org](mailto:chipper@shastafiresafe.org)**Shasta County Fire Safe Council Chipping Program**

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## ***Defensible Space Chipping Program Activities***

**Happening Now:** Bella Vista, Oak Run, Palo Cedro, Millville — if you missed the May 1st deadline, **please call our office at 530-360-0120**. We can manually enroll you and will coordinate with our contractor to determine if it can fit into their schedule.

**Next Up:** Shingletown, Whitmore, Manton — [sign up today](#) for chipping services starting June 1st.

**LEARN MORE & SIGN UP HERE**

*The Shasta County Fire Safe Council's chipping program is more than just a convenient way to clear vegetation. It's a step toward a safer, more fire-resilient community — get involved today!*

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## Fire Safe Task of the Month



### ***Test and Maintain Irrigation Systems***

A well-maintained irrigation system is a key part of wildfire preparedness. Keeping vegetation hydrated can reduce its flammability and help protect your property.

#### **Steps To Follow:**

- **Inspect for Damage:** Check for leaks, broken sprinkler heads, or clogged nozzles that could affect performance.
- **Adjust Sprinklers:** Make sure sprinklers are watering plants and not non-vegetative areas like driveways or sidewalks.
- **Set a Schedule:** Water plants regularly to keep them healthy, but avoid overwatering to conserve resources.

[LEARN MORE ABOUT FIRE PREPAREDNESS](#)

## State and Local News



### ***Fire Updates & Prevention News: What You Need To Know***

Here's what's happening in California and Shasta County regarding fire prevention, wildfire management, and insurance updates:

#### **Burn Day Information for Shasta County**

Shasta County provides updated burn day information daily at 9:00 a.m. Residents are encouraged to follow all burning rules to help preserve future burn days and reduce wildfire risks.

[Read more here](#)

#### **California Announces 300 Wildfire Projects Fast-Track**

California has fast-tracked 300 wildfire prevention projects, significantly reducing approval times from over a year to just 30 days. This initiative is part of the state's commitment to enhancing wildfire resilience.

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## California Prepares for Early Wildfire Season Amidst Heatwave

Record-setting heatwaves in March have led to early snowmelt and dried vegetation, prompting California to brace for an early wildfire season.

[Get the details here](#)

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## You Can Make an Impact



### ***Partner With the Shasta County Fire Safe Council***

The Shasta County Fire Safe Council is on a mission to reduce wildfire risks and promote fire safety across our community. From free chipping programs to wildfire protection plans, we're empowering residents with the tools and resources they need to safeguard their homes and neighborhoods.

If you believe in creating a safer, more resilient Shasta County, **we need your support**. Your donation helps us continue these vital programs and expand our impact. Together, we can make a difference. Partner with us today!

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