## **Defensible Space Clearance Reminders: Do's and Don'ts**

**MARK** your lot. Place markers at regular intervals, so inspectors can tell where your lot ends and your neighbor's lot begins.



Use ribbon, rebar, a row of rocks, as long as it's clear and easily identifiable.

**MEASURE** your lot. Raking is required within 30 feet of all structures, and other clearing is required within 100 feet of all structures – or to your property line, whichever is closest.



The "jungles" along the back lines of many properties allow a wildfire to run through the whole neighborhood.

Clear the back and sides of your lot, as well as the front.

CLEAN everywhere: cabin roofs, shed roofs, decks, porches, on and around cars, boats, trailers, RV's, etc. Remove or clear around and cover piles of combustible household material.



If there's something that can burn, a wildfire will find it.

Regularly check all the nooks and crannies where pine needles and dead leaves might gather.

**Remove** all dead brush, trees, and branches on the ground, up 15 feet above the ground, and within 100 feet of all structures.

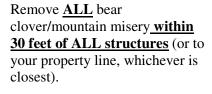


## Overcrowded saplings

• harm large trees by stealing scarce water from them.

- will never become strong and healthy
- are just tree-shaped weeds.

Thin out overcrowded trees so you can walk between them.





Between 30 and 100 feet (or to your property line, whichever is closest), maintain bear clover/mountain misery at 4 inches or less. Limb-up branches up to 15 ft.

Clear 10 feet around and above propane tanks. Mature trees and low, well-irrigated groundcover free of needles and leaves are permitted.



Decorative enclosures must not hide the tank's location from firefighters, or impede access to the valve assembly.

Remove all needles and leaves built up around propane tanks No smoking or burn piles within 25 feet of propane tanks!

Let's remember, for some of our neighbors in Lilac Park, **this is their only home.** When a homeowner fails to clean up their lot, they are potentially endangering the whole community. Let's all do our part to keep Lilac Park as fire safe as possible. This is about saving properties, our forest, wildlife, even lives.