



Dear Hillsborough Neighbor,

The Central County Fire Department and the Town of Hillsborough work collaboratively to protect the safety and welfare of the Town residents and their property. The increasing risk of a wildfire is larger and more complex than any one individual, neighborhood or agency can conquer and together we are taking steps to address the issue.

To reduce wildfire risk in our communities, the Town's City Council approved a newly developed Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) Program that provides residents with information on how to remove potential hazards capable of spreading wildfire to both homes and the community at large. The purpose of the program is to reduce the conditions that contribute to the risks of urban wildfires and create a fire safe Hillsborough.

As partners in this effort, the Central County Fire Department and the Town of Hillsborough have developed best practices and standards for reducing fire hazards. The enclosed booklet, "Living Fire Safe in Hillsborough's Wildland Urban Interface" provides information on best practices for creating a defensible space, hardening residential structures and maintaining/modifying vegetation (fuel) on your property and around your home.

I invite you to attend an upcoming Wildland Fire Safety Town Hall Meeting where we will be providing more information about urban wildfire risks in Hillsborough and will be available to discuss the WUI Fire Safety Program inspection process, vegetation maintenance and modifications and community fire resiliency.

Wildland Fire Safety Town Hall:

Date: Wednesday, February 26th – 6:30 pm to 9:00pm

Date: Saturday, March 21st – 9:30am to 11:00am

Location: 2600 Ralston Avenue, Crocker Middle School (Lecture Hall)

Together, we can achieve a more fire safe community while preserving the character of Hillsborough for future generations. I am confident that the partnership between the Town, Central County Fire Department and the community will be successful in reducing the urban wildfire risk for Hillsborough.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bruce Barron".

Bruce Barron

Fire Chief
Central County Fire Department (CCFD)