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JOSEPHINE COUNTY FORESTLAND-URBAN INTERFACE CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE MEETS AUGUST 7

The Josephine County Forestland-Urban Interface Classification Committee meets August 7, 1:00 p.m., at the Hillcrest Fire Station, 199 NW Hillcrest Drive, Grants Pass. This meeting was previously scheduled for July 31.

Committee members have obtained digitized maps from Josephine County Geographic Information Systems for the purpose of identifying lands in Josephine County that meet criteria described in Oregon Forestland-Urban Interface Fire Protection Act of 1997. Developed lots in urban and suburban areas that are 10 acres in size or smaller, and which are grouped with other lots with similar characteristics, will be considered for identification as forestland-urban interface lands. These lands will then be assigned fire-risk classifications. The classifications will be used to determine the degree of fuel reduction necessary on individual lots.

For more information about the committee and the Oregon Forestland-Urban Interface Fire Protection Act, contact Brian Ballou, Oregon Dept. of Forestry fire prevention specialist, at (541) 665-0662.

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