



WILDFIRE PARTNERS

PRESENTATION

BOULDER COUNTY:

WILDFIRE

HAPPENS HERE

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AGENDA

- ✓ Wildfire in Boulder County
- ✓ Wildfire Science
- ✓ Wildfire Partners History & Programs
- ✓ Wildfire Partners' Community Mitigation Model
- ✓ Rebate Program
- ✓ Home Hardening Basics

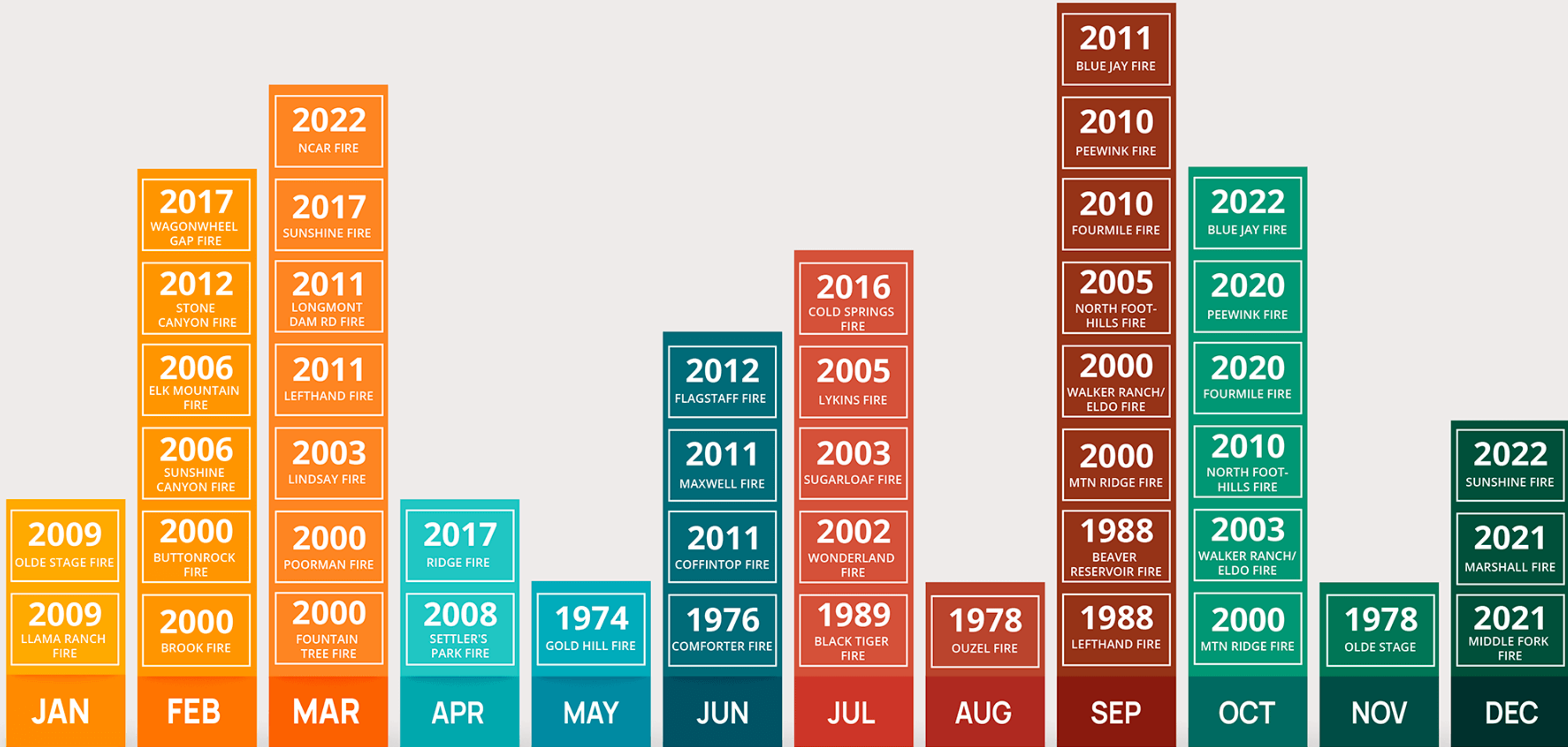


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BOULDER COUNTY WILDFIRES THAT LED TO EVACUATIONS

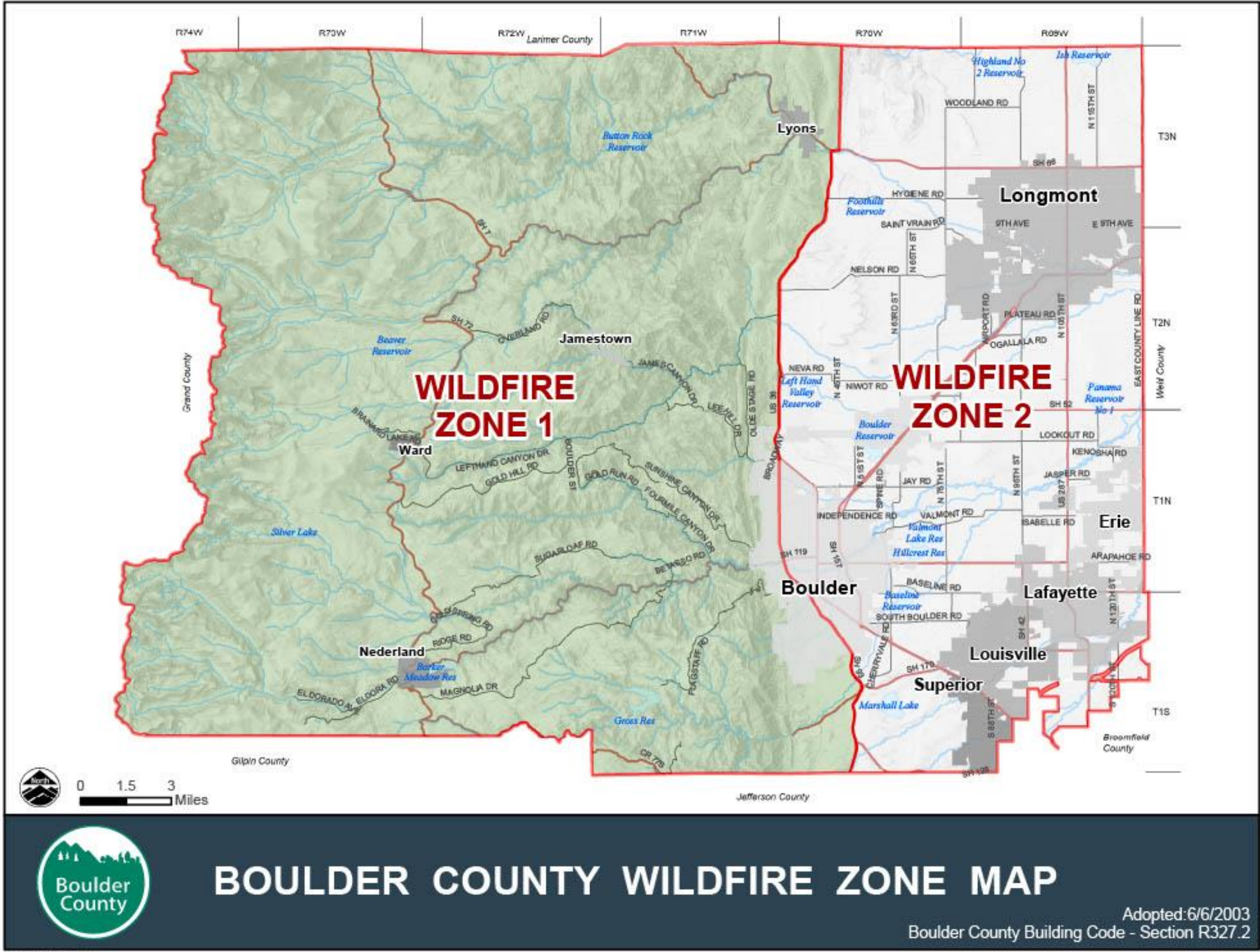
by month and year





WILDFIRE IN BOCO

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Date: 6/20/2023



DURING A WILDFIRE, EMBERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ~ 90% OF STRUCTURE IGNITIONS

FIRE SCIENCE





WILDFIRE PARTNERS WAS LAUNCHED IN 2014

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Voluntary

Voluntary wildfire mitigation program for homeowners in the mountains and foothills of Boulder County.



Science-based

Mitigation Specialists conduct site-specific, science-based assessments of individual homes. (USFS, IBHS, NFPA)



Provide Incentives

Funded by grants from State and Federal agencies to incentivize creating defensible space around homes.



Reward action

Peace of mind!
Public recognition in the form of a yard sign and certificate.

THE FUNDAMENTALS OF WILDFIRE MITIGATION

-  **HOME HARDENING**
-  **DEFENSIBLE SPACE**
-  **COMMUNITY RESILIENCY**
-  **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**



MITIGATION



OUR PROGRAMS...

1. Free Home Assessments for West BoCo
2. Outreach & Education for All Boco
- 3. Community Mitigation Program**
4. Community Chipping Program
5. Youth Services Program
6. Strategic Fuels Mitigation Plan
- 7. Rebate Program**



THE COMMUNITY MITIGATION MODEL

Community Advising

Advise decision makers
(HOAs, agency partners)

- Structure hardening
- Non-combustible materials
- Wildfire mitigation best practices
- Defensible space
- Landscaping





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REBATE PROGRAM: UP TO \$500 TO REDUCE YOUR WILDFIRE RISK

REBATE PROGRAM



VENTS



FENCES ARE FUSES



JUNK YOUR JUNIPERS



THE FIRST FIVE FEET

HOME HARDENING

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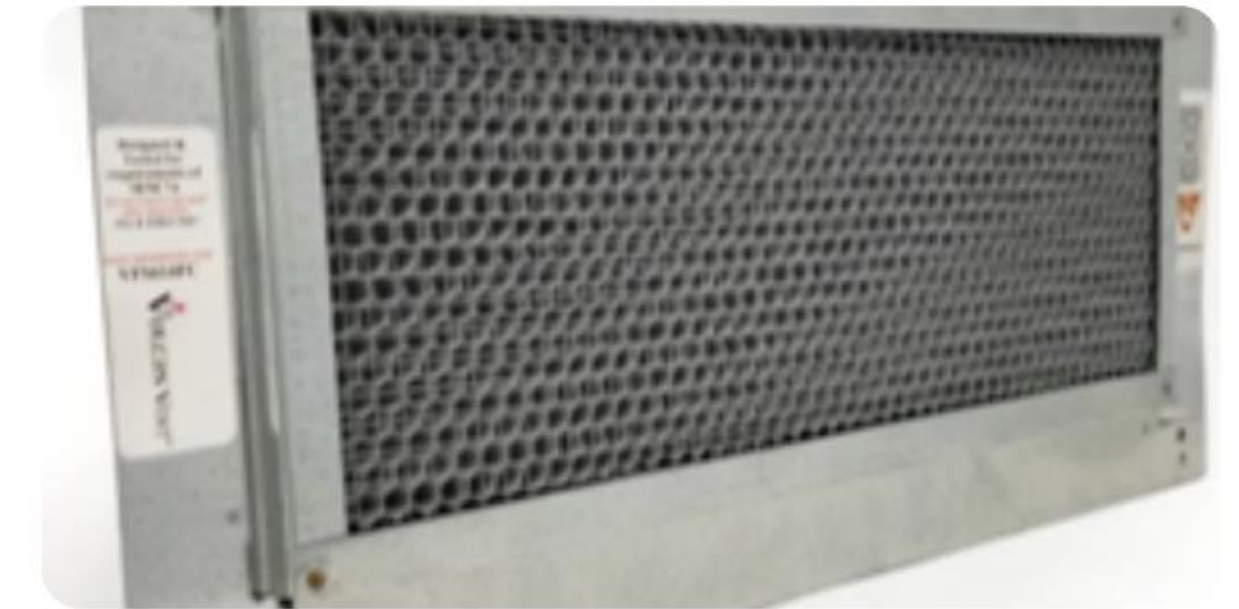
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FIRE RESISTANT SOFFIT VENT



FIRE-STOPPING GABLE VENT

Dryer vents should auto-close when the dryer is off



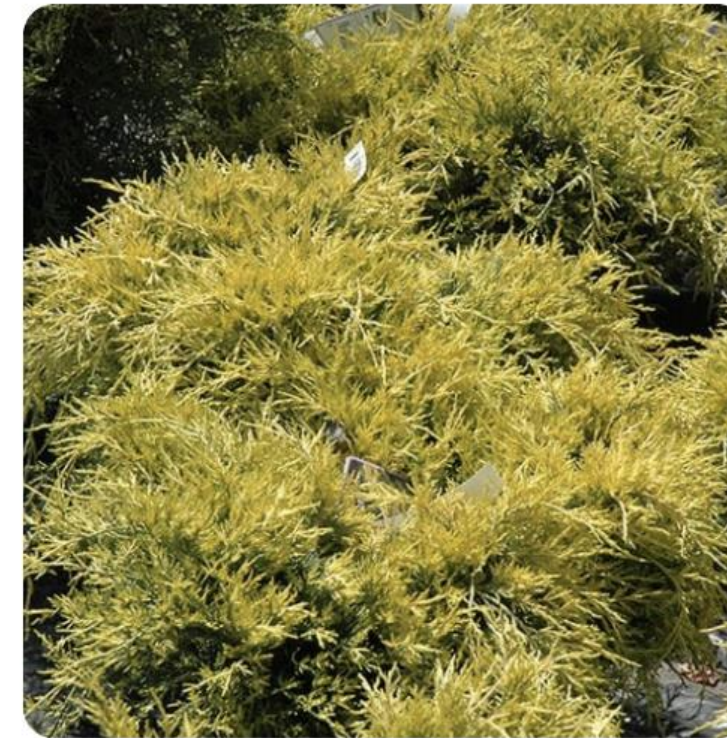


JUNK YOUR JUNIPERS

REBATE PROGRAM



BLUE CHIP JUNIPER



GOLDEN JUNIPER



BLUE STAR JUNIPER



JUST SAY NO TO JUNIPERS!



THE FIRST 5 FEET

REBATE PROGRAM



BLACK RIVER ROCK



GRAY GRANITE GRAVEL



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REBATE PROGRAM





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COMBUSTIBLE FENCING – IMPROVED

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NONCOMBUSTIBLE FENCING

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OTHER BEST PRACTICES

- **HOME HARDENING**
- **LANDSCAPING**
- **NATIVE GRASSES**
- **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**



HOME HARDENING

MITIGATE WHAT'S ON AN EXISTING DECK

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HOME HARDENING

CHOOSE A PATIO – THE ALTERNATIVE TO A DECK

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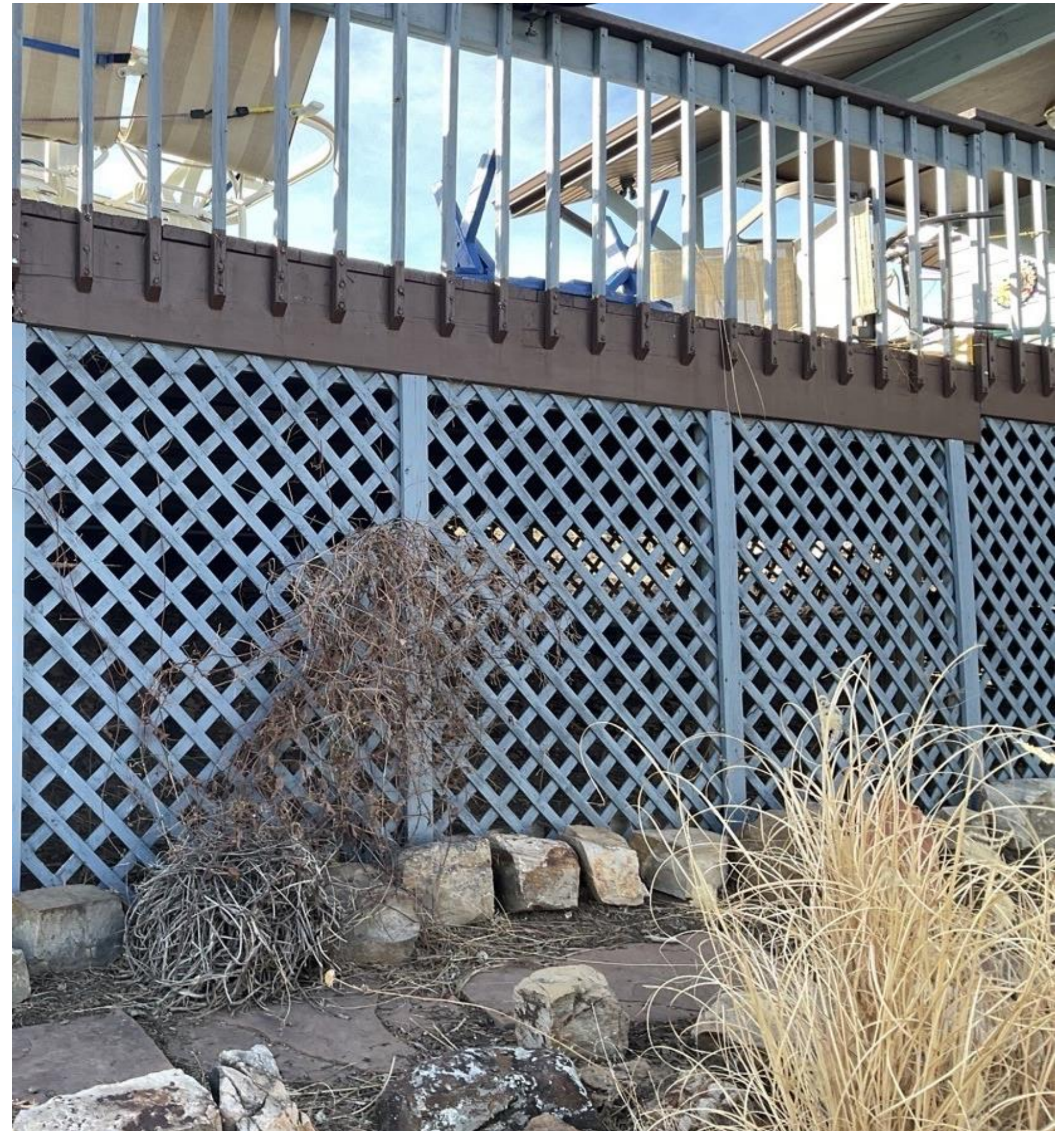




HOME HARDENING

MITIGATE UNDER AN EXISTING DECK

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HOME HARDENING

MITIGATE EXISTING DECKS

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THE ROLE OF NATIVE GRASSLANDS

Grass is an important part of the natural environment, providing food, habitat, shelter, and breeding ground for many of our beloved birds, mammals, and insects.

Healthy native grasses also help with fire mitigation by preventing drier and bulkier weeds from growing in our open spaces.



DEFENSIBLE SPACE



RE-ENVISION LANDSCAPING



**PLANT IN SMALL IRREGULAR
CLUSTERS OR ISLANDS**

**USE DECORATIVE
ROCK, GRAVEL AND
STEPPINGSTONE
PATHWAYS BETWEEN
ISLANDS, WHICH
HELPS TO BREAK UP
VEGETATION AND
FUELS.**





RE-ENVISION MULCHING



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS



**People &
Pets**



**Papers, Photos
& Documents**



Insurance



**Situational
Awareness**



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