

Beyond Defensible Space: A Deep Exploration into Wildland Fuel Management

Wednesday, June 1, 2022 from 6:00-8:00 pm

Free, Live Presentations via Zoom
This is the first in a series: see below!
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All are welcome, however these workshops will focus on the Safer West County communities.

Landowners and managers: learn about principles and practices to manage wildlands for wildfire risk reduction and wildlife habitat!

In this free webinar:

- **Jon Kanagy, Sonoma Ecology Center**, will provide an ecological context, describing the issue of habitat loss and the need for a sustainability mindset in vegetation management. Jon is a landscape designer at SEC where he promotes sustainability through education and design of landscapes that are fire resilient, water conserving, and that provide habitat and resources for local fauna.
- **Brock Dolman, Occidental Arts and Ecology Center**, will talk about creating fire-resiliency at a landscape-scale, including fuel load mitigation strategies that couple wildfire management with the complementary goals of clean watersheds, healthy fish and wildlife habitat, and thriving holistic ecosystems. Brock is a wildlife biologist and nationally recognized as a restoration ecologist and innovator in watershed management and permaculture design. Brock is co-founder of the Occidental Arts & Ecology Center.
- **Briana Boaz, Santa Rosa Junior College (SRJC)**, will discuss fuel reduction, prescribed fire, and vegetation monitoring at the 120-acre Shone Farm forest. Briana is the Natural Resource Management Professor and Program Coordinator at SRJC. She leads the new SRJC Wildfire Resilience Program, training students in pre- and post-fire vegetation management in Sonoma County.
- **Sashi Sabaratnam, UC Cooperative Extension**, will review regulatory compliance required for certain grants and how the Sonoma Wildfire Decision Support Framework tools can inform your planning towards long-term resilience. Sashi is UC Cooperative Extension's Wildfire Vegetation Mitigation Program Manager and board member of the Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority. She is enrolled in the Naval Postgraduate School Center for Homeland Defense and Security master's program, focusing on wildfire mitigation.

Save the Dates!

This workshop will be followed by two field tours and a consultation session:

- Field workshop 1: June 18, 9 am-1 pm at SRJC Shone Farm
- Field workshop 2: July 9, 9 am-1 pm at Occidental Arts & Ecology Center
- Webinar with "lightning consultations": July 27, 6-8 pm

Attend one or attend all! More information to follow!