



**SIERRA SPRINGS**  
Regional Fire Safe Council

*"To keep Sierra Springs and its neighboring communities fire free and fire safe through education, fire prevention activities and emergency response planning"*

March 1, 2022

## FIRST NOTICE

### Requirements of El Dorado County Ordinance #5101 & Sierra Springs Owners Association Fire Safety Prevention Rules

- On June 1, 2022 Defensible Space Evaluators will begin defensible space evaluations in Sierra Springs.
- Prior to June 1, 2022, you are expected to either: 1) bring your property into compliance with the law and the SSOA Fire Safety Rules; 2) submit a plan for compliance; 3) be current with your previously submitted approved plan for compliance; or 4) submit a signed vendor contract for completion of the work needing to be done.
- If the requirements of the law and/or the Sierra Springs Owners Association (SSOA) Fire Prevention Safety Rules are not met by the time your property is evaluated (sometime after June 1, 2022) you will receive a 2<sup>nd</sup> Notice. Evaluators will be using the SSRFSC Evaluation Form (enclosed) which you may want to refer to for compliance.
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> Notice will include a mandatory completion date. The 2<sup>nd</sup> notice will also include a hearing date with the SSOA Board of Directors, during which time the SSOA board of directors will discuss disciplinary action, if that completion date, or an acceptable plan or progress on your current plan or a signed vendor contract is not in place. It is normal for disciplinary action to include a \$100 monthly fine and the loss of membership privileges until acceptable standards are met.
- Owners are expected to maintain compliance with the law and rules throughout fire season. Maintaining compliance is not a "once and done" approach. For example, cleaning your roof and gutters may need to be done weekly to comply with the law.
- Owners who fall out of compliance, at any time, or fail to follow-through with their plan or vendor commitment will receive one additional notice, besides this one, inviting the owners to a scheduled SSOA board of directors hearing.

The SSOA Fire Prevention Safety Rules have been distributed to all owners via letters, newsletters, the annual mailings, new owners' welcome packets and the SSOA website. It is the owner's responsibility to (1) understand the law and the SSOA rules, and (2) comply with the law and the SSOA rules. The latest SSOA Fire Prevention Safety Rules are enclosed for your comments.

The SSOA Fire Prevention Safety Rules, the SSRFSC Defensible Space Evaluation, and the Fire Safety Compliance Plan are available at [www.sierrasprings.org](http://www.sierrasprings.org). Copies can be emailed or mailed to those without internet access.

The SSRFSC and evaluators are available to assist owners with questions or concerns. Contact the SSOA Manager, Shelly Thompson, at (530) 644-2182 or [info@sierraspringsowners.org](mailto:info@sierraspringsowners.org) with your questions, concerns or for further information.