



FREE Wildland Fire Assessment Training Now Available

The National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC) in partnership with the U.S Forest Service is excited to offer the Wildland Fire Assessment Program (WFAP).

WFAP Description

The WFAP is a joint effort by the U.S. Forest Service and the NVFC to prepare volunteer fire departments and other interested personnel with the necessary information, skills, and resources to conduct home safety assessments with and for residents living in the wildland-urban interface. The WFAP trains participants to evaluate a home and provide residents with recommendations that will mitigate their wildfire risks and make their property more fire-adapted.

About the Training

The course is a four-part, train-the-trainer series that covers understanding the WUI problem, identifying the zones, evaluating the home, and available resources. WFAP participants can take this information back to their respective departments and teach personnel how to properly conduct a home assessment for those susceptible to wildfire. Each module lasts one hour, four hours total. Participants will be provided with a toolkit, supplemental resources, and a certificate of completion. The class is free and open to all who wish to learn more about the WFAP.

Interested in Hosting a Course?

The NVFC will provide the instructor and materials and also has the capabilities to set up an online registration system to track registrations and deliver logistical information but will need assistance determining a date, time, and venue. A few provisions that will ensure an optimal training experience include:

- The training site be in a central location, easily accessible to potential students (20 minimum)
- The venue has classroom-style seating and audio/visual equipment consisting of PowerPoint capabilities and projector and screen.
- The hosting agency help promote the training (at least a six-week window to advertise) to ensure maximum attendance. Customizable resources are available from the NVFC to assist with this.

Contact Us!

If you have questions or are interested in setting up a training, please contact Lori Shirley at lshirley@nvfc.org. Visit www.nvfc.org/wfap to learn more about the program.

