



Guidelines – Free Wildfire Risk Reduction for Identified Priority Areas

The San Juan Islands Conservation District (SJICD) has received funding to assist neighborhoods and associations that ranked as high and medium priority areas in the 2012 San Juan County Community Wildfire Protection Plan. Program guidelines are provided below.

Services include:

Implementation of forest health and wildfire preparedness best management practices (BMPs), including:

- forest thinning and associated woody residue treatment
- defensible space projects within the [Home Ignition Zone](#) and nearby surrounding areas that include:
 - tree/shrub pruning
 - brush management
 - conservation biochar burns
 - chipping

Eligible Applicants

- Priority will be given to communities identified as “high and medium priority” sites in the [2012 SJC Community Wildfire Protection Plan](#) (please see pages 83-85).

General Terms

- Landowners or associations will enter into a non-binding agreement describing the scope of work.
- SJICD will use trained crews to complete the work at no cost to participants.
- Landowners and residents are encouraged to volunteer their time and resources to support projects.
- Includes a free Wildfire Ready Home Visit or forest health assessment.

Process

1. **Interest Form.** Interested groups should complete an [interest form](#).
2. **Assessment.** SJICD will visit the property and conduct a Wildfire Ready Home Visit or Forest Health Assessment.
3. **Project Specifications.** SJICD staff will develop project specifications based on the assessment in Step 2 and email them to the applicant.
4. **Landowner Agreement Form.** Landowners will establish a landowner agreement with SJICD.
5. **Project Implementation.** Applicant will work with SJICD to schedule project workdays.

Scan here for interest form:



(<https://arcg.is/0qn9fx0>)

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