



Dear Property Owner:

The Cook County Firewise program has received a community mitigation grant from the State of Minnesota Dept of Natural Resources. The focus of this grant is to educate property owners on how to protect their homes in the event of a wildland fire and to provide adequate access for emergency vehicles.

During the next two months a representative will be coming to your home to complete a Wildland Hazard Assessment. The assessment project is a county-wide program endorsed by your fire department, County Commissioners, Dept of Natural Resources and the USFS. Participation is voluntary, and we plan to inspect all properties except those with “no trespassing” signs or gates. **Please complete the form below if you DO NOT want an assessment or if your property is gated and/or has a no trespassing sign posted. Leave it at the end of your driveway or on your door, or you may contact Cheryl Walimaa at 218-387-3688.**

For more information, questions or concerns about this program, please contact Cheryl or visit our website at [www.boreal.org/fireinfo](http://www.boreal.org/fireinfo). The Cook County Firewise Committee is working with your fire department to ensure that each home is safe and accessible. The Cook County Board of Commissioners is very supportive of this program and request that all property owners participate.

Sincerely,

Janice Hall  
County Commissioner/Firewise Chair

Jim Wiinanen  
County Emergency Management Director

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- Yes, I would like a Wildland Hazard Assessment Completed
- No, I would not like a Wildland Hazard Assessment Completed

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Property Owner Signature

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Date