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Subject: Vegetation Management Program (VMP) for Assessor's Parcel Number (APN): «APN»

Dear Neighbors,

As we quickly approach the summer months and our wildfire concerns grow, I am starkly aware of the overall concern throughout our community, our State and our Country regarding the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and its impact on all of us. Please be assured that your Fire Department is prepared, and fully committed to keeping our City safe. While our current focus is on getting through the pandemic, we must remain focused on our continued efforts to keep the City safe from other hazards, in particular the threat of wildfire. Please help us keep the City safe from wildfire by the following recommendations in the letter below and within the attached brochure. Thank you for your continuing efforts in preventing the spread of the coronavirus and in preparing your homes for wildfire. With care, Fire Chief, Silvio Lanzas

In Glendale, hazardous vegetation near homes is one of the major contributors to catastrophic wildland fires. Dry grass, weeds, shrubs, and flammable landscaping can bring the fire right to your home, whether you live on a hillside or not. Creating defensible space is essential to improving your home's chance of surviving a wildfire. It's the buffer you create between your house and the vegetation that surrounds it. As an owner of property within the High Fire Hazard Area (HFHA) you are required to maintain a defensible space around your property for your safety and the safety of the community. The Glendale Fire Department annually inspects properties in the High Fire Hazard Area to ensure that the defensible space standards are met. Inspections typcially commence **May 1st.**

Please follow the hazardous vegetation abatement actions described in the Defensible Space Standards brochure. Your cooperation in completing the abatement work before the annual inspection will improve the overall effectiveness of this program. The Fire Department will notify you in writing if any additional vegetation management is required.

The Glendale Fire Department would like to thank you for your cooperation in this community wide fire prevention program. Included with this letter is the Defensible Space Standards brochure with guidelines for maintaining the vegetation around your home. If you have any questions about the Vegetation Management Program or to report a hazardous vegetation conditions call (818) 548-3814 or email vmp@glendaleca.gov.

To view secured information regarding your annual Vegetation Management Program inspection, please register a new VMP account using your unique PIN: «PIN» and log onto https://vmp.glendaleca.gov/#/homepage.

Thank you, Fire Prevention Bureau Glendale Fire Department