“Save the Date” for Firewise Assessment Training

The Lucas Fire Department will be hosting the Firewise Assessment training! Personnel from the Texas A&M Forest Service will be conducting a Firewise Assessment training on Friday, September 5, 2014. This will be followed by an assessment of homes within the City of Lucas on Saturday, September 6, 2014. Community Emergency Response Teams, homeowners and Fire Departments will learn about Mitigation Programs, components of Community and Individual Structure Assessments (See attached tentative agenda). Learn what a Firewise Assessment of your home and property or community can do to help you determine what steps to take to keep these areas safer from a wildfire. The good news is, unlike floods, hurricanes or earthquakes, there are simple and often inexpensive ways to make homes & properties safer from wildfire. With a good understanding of wildfire hazards and mitigation strategies, CERT teams can use their members to help community residents effectively lower the wildfire risk and losses to their homes, neighborhoods and natural resources. There is no cost to attend this training.

What: Firewise Assessment Training

When: September 5 -6, 2014

Time: Friday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm, Saturday 8:00 am – 12:00 pm.

Where: Heard Natural Science Museum and Wildlife Sanctuary, 1 Nature Place, McKinney, Texas 75069 (see attached map)

Click here to register  (Seating limited)

For more information please contact

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Firewise Assessment Training

The Heard Museum

September 5-6, 2014

September 5th (Friday)

0800: Registration starts

0830-1000: Opening Remarks and discussion on Mitigation Programs

1000-1015: BREAK

1015-1100: Start Assessment Discussion.

1100-1200: 1 hour to start discussion on what the components are of Community and Individual Structure Assessments

1200-1300: Lunch

1300-1430: Discussion on Community Assessments (45 min) Start discussion Individual Home Assessments

1430-1445: BREAK

1445-1530: Wrap Up discussion on Assessments

1530-1600: Question and Answers.

September 6th (Saturday)

0800: Meet at designated location for headcount and traveled to field sites

0830: Leave for field trips

1130- Travel back to Heard for final closeout by 1200
Notice
There is a neighboring construction zone at the entrance to the Heard off of Country Club Road. Please note that the Heard is still open and proceed down the driveway as usual.

Option 1
- From South, heading northward on 75/Central Expressway
- Head North on Central Expy/US-75 N
- Take exit 38C toward Texas 5
- Merge onto TX-399 Spur East - 0.5 mi
- Turn right onto Greenville Dr (signs for Texas 5 S/Allen) - 0.7 mi
- Turn left onto Country Club Rd - 1.0 mi
- Turn left onto Nature Pl - 0.1 mi
- Arrive at 1 Nature Place, McKinney, TX 75069

Option 2
- From South, heading northward via Central Expressway, Stacy Rd and Country Club Road
- Head northeast on Central Expy/US-75 N
- Turn right (east) onto Stacy Rd - 2.8 mi
- Turn left (north) onto Farm to Market 1378 N/Country Club Rd - 2.3 mi (Please note that this is a narrow winding road. Please proceed carefully, particularly in school buses. Always obey posted speed limits.)
- Turn right (north) onto Nature Pl - 0.1 mi (This is a sharp right turn. Please proceed slowly and carefully, particularly in school buses.)
- Arrive at 1 Nature Place, McKinney, TX 75069

Option 3
- From West via Sam Rayburn Tollway/121 (Partial toll road)
- Merge onto Sam Rayburn Tollway (Partial toll road)
- Continue onto TX-399 Spur East
- Turn right onto Greenville Dr (signs for Texas 5 S/Allen) - 0.7 mi
- Turn left onto Country Club Rd - 1.0 mi
- Turn left onto Nature Pl - 0.1 mi
- Arrive at 1 Nature Place, McKinney, TX 75069

Please Note: Hwy 121 is now open! If you are traveling to the Heard from the west side of the DFW metroplex, this may be a good route to use; however, GPS units may tell you otherwise. Please note that toll rates may apply. Access roads to Hwy 121 are not tolled.

- From North via Hwy 5/McDonald (starting point Central Expressway/ US-75 at 380)
- Head east on W University Dr toward N Redbud Blvd - 1.4 mi
- Turn right onto N McDonald St - 3.4 mi
- Slight left onto S McDonald St - 381 ft
- Continue onto Greenville Dr - 0.7 mi
- Turn left onto Country Club Rd - 1.0 mi
- Turn left onto Nature Pl - 0.1 mi
- Arrive at 1 Nature Pl, McKinney, TX 75059