## University Park (UP) Homeowners Association (HOA) Wildfire Mitigation Committee (WMC) Volunteer Worker Information

**Area to be Mitigated:** City-owned open space on the South side of Collegiate Drive up to properties along Seton Hall between St. Augustine Court on the West and across the street from Mt. Union Court on the East.

Work to be Accomplished: UP volunteer workers will assist employees from the City Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services Department, Office of the City Forester, with wildfire fuel mitigation in city-owned open space within our UP community. Work will be performed in accordance with a signed Stewardship Agreement between the City of Colorado Springs and the University Park Homeowners Association (UP HOA).

The two-phased community volunteer labor contribution is mostly to remove felled and dead tree trunks, branches and brush (slash) from fairly rough terrain open space and pile the slash along Collegiate Drive (or other designated area) where the organic material will be run through a City-provided chipper to be either hauled away or broadcast back into the work area to enrich the soil or to provide erosion control.

## Phase One - Thursday and Friday, Feb 28 and Mar 1, 2013 as the new scheduled dates):

**Preliminary Effort** (2 - 4 Volunteers per 3 hour segment): Assistance to City Forestry employees as they clear brush and selected trees within the designated open space area; place slash in small piles for phase two removal and chipping on a later day.

- 8:00a.m. First Segment Pre-work/Safety Brief at Houck Park

-8:30a.m. Morning Work Begins

- 11:00 a.m. Lunch Break

- 11:30 a.m Second Segment Pre-work/Safety Brief at Houck Park

- 12:00 p.m. Afternoon Work Begins

- 3:00p.m. Cleanup and City employees Depart

## Phase Two - Saturday, Mar 2, 2013 is the new event date.

<u>Major Community Effort (Up to 30 Volunteers at any given time throughout the day):</u> Remove phase one tree trunks, branches and brush (slash) from the open space terrain and place it in piles along Collegiate Drive (or other designated area) to be run through the chipper and further disposed of per instructions of the City Forester.

-8:00a.m. Pre-work/Safety Brief at Houck Park/Assignment to Crews

- 8:30 a.m. Work Begins - 11:00 a.m. Lunch Break

- 11:30 a.m. Second Segment Pre-work/Safety Brief at Houck Park

- 12:00 p.m. Work Resumes

- 3:00p.m. Cleanup and City Chipping Crew Departs

To sign up for a block of work time in support of this important volunteer community event, please call or email Project Volunteer Coordinator, Darrell Rogers: (719) 264-0077 or suedarrellr@aol.com

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Safety of our University Park residents as well as City employees is paramount to this effort. Workers must realize that there can be hazards and risks associated with the physical labor required to accomplish this wildfire fuel mitigation project.

General work conditions may include: Fairly rough, wooded, sloped terrain; challenging footing; winter conditions (possible cold temperatures and snowy, icy, slippery surfaces); debris such as deadfall, live and trimmed branches, etc.; and workers moving about the open space performing various tasks, requiring constant alertness and vigilance by all.

To minimize inherent risks, to avoid potential liability issues, and to be compliant with the Stewardship Agreement between the City of Colorado Springs and the University Park Homeowners Association (UP HOA), the following guidelines are established for volunteers performing work in support of this community event

While working on the Project, Volunteer workers need to:

- 1. Always work with SAFETY in mind; take action to stop observed unsafe acts
- 2. Provide their own and wear eye protection (goggles or safety glasses)
- 3. Provide and wear protective clothing, footwear, and gloves appropriate to the weather and work conditions; work to be done with non-power tools and by hand
- 4. Follow the instructions and advice of the City Forester (or his representatives), the Wildfire Mitigation Committee Volunteer Coordinator, and designated Crew Bosses
- 5. Work within the confines of the Project's designated mitigation area; be careful not to trespass on private property unless permitted by the owner
- 6. Please be on time and stay for the entire time commitment as the success of this effort rests with having enough volunteers to accomplish the work

While working on the Project, Volunteer workers ARE NOT AUTHORIZED to:

Use chain saws or power tools- only City employees (sawyers) may do so

If you have questions regarding this Project, please contact one of the following:

-Wildfire Mitigation Committee Chairman:
- Project Volunteer Coordinator:
- Chief of Volunteer Crews:
Doug Harris (719) 302-3450
Darrell Rogers (719) 264-0077
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THANK YOU FOR THE GENEROUS DONATION OF YOUR TIME AND ENERGY IN HELPING OUR COMMUNITY ACHIEVE OUR UNIVERSITY PARK WILDFIRE MITIGATION GOALS