CALL FOR APPLICATION POSSIBLE FUTURE GRANT-ASSISTED BRUSH THINNING

Dear Oracle Fire District residents,

We are now accepting applications for a grant that I will be writing for funds which, if awarded, would assist with the cost of brush thinning on private properties. The cost to the property owner is \$150 per day, to be paid in advance of the work. This includes a 2-3 person chainsaw crew, with dump truck and chipper. This grant is aimed at creating "Firewise" defensible space around homes, reducing heavy fuels alongside driveways, and thinning brush around the property boundaries. (Cactus, bear grass and yuccas are not removed on these projects, nor are grass or weeds mowed). The properties MUST be within the Oracle Fire District and have enough vegetation to make a full day (6am-11am), or multiple days, worthwhile. For those properties simply in need of Landscaping (tree trimming and weed whacking), I included a list of local landscapers whom you can contact for price and availability.

Attached is the application (Agreement) that needs to be printed, completed, and sent back to me as soon as possible. If you do not have a printer, you can stop by the fire station to pick up an application and/or drop it off. I am usually in the office Mondays-Thursdays, 8am-5pm.

The cut off date for accepting applications for this upcoming grant is May 13th, 2022. Otherwise, we always accept applications for future grants. Please reply to me with any questions you may have or with your completed application.

Thank you and stay safe!

Respectfully,

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