

*Help us help you provide adequate road access and turn arounds for Rural Fire Departments to your home.*

Please Place  
Postage Here



Itasca County Fire Wise  
PO Box 607  
Deer River, MN 56636

Itasca County  
Chipper Days Program

**Be Firewise.**

Make  
your home  
a survivor of  
approaching  
wildfire.



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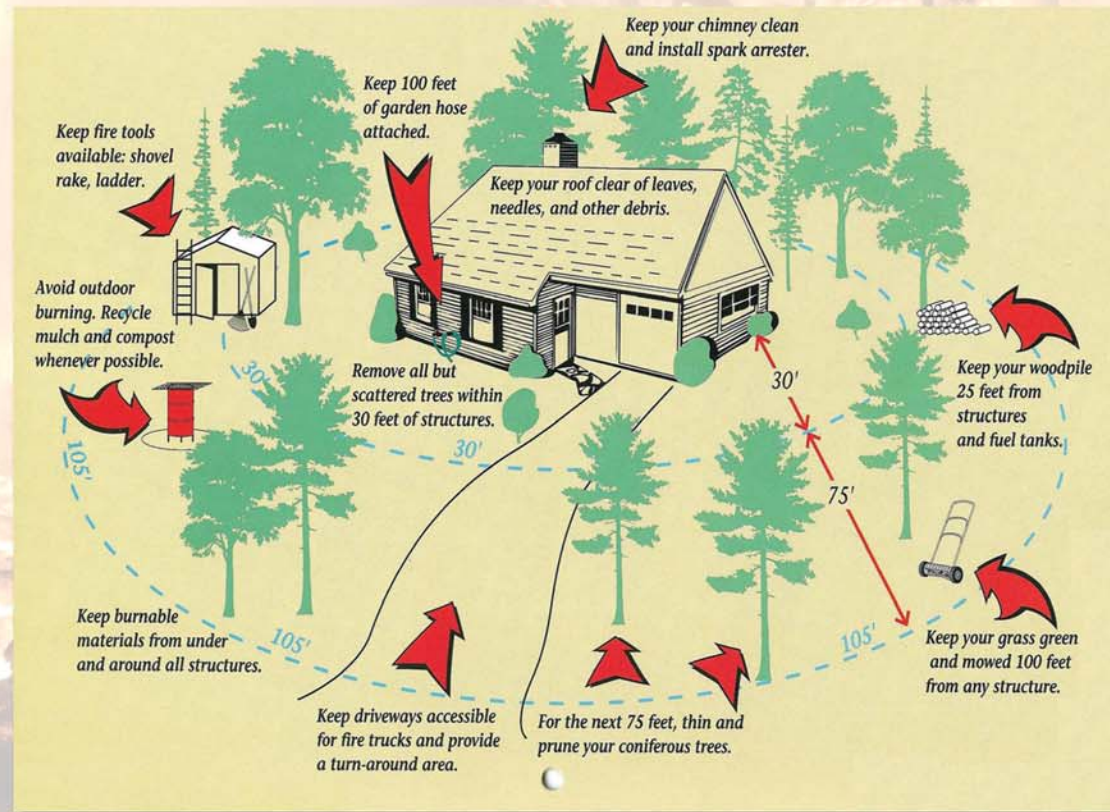
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# It all adds up:

**Defensible Space + Access for Emergency Vehicles + Neighbors Helping Neighbors = A Fire Wise Home**

Each year, hundreds of homes are destroyed or damaged by wildland fires. It is your responsibility to protect your family and home from danger. Reduce the ignition potential of your home; make it compatible with its surroundings by considering these factors:

- **Fuels**  
(natural and ornamental)
- **Topography**  
(slope, canyons and draws)
- **Your Home**  
(construction, design and materials)
- **Access**  
(roads and bridges)
- **Family Protection**  
(evacuation plans)



Expand the perimeters of Defensible Space. Cooperate with your neighbors to remove brush and other fire fuels. Woody vegetation collected is taken to Minnesota Power's Rapids Energy Center and used for renewable energy.

