



North Tahoe and Meeks Bay Fire Protection Districts



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North Tahoe Fire Now Hiring – Seasonal Defensible Space Inspectors

Tahoe City, Calif. Mar. 12, 2021 – North Tahoe Fire is currently recruiting seasonal Defensible Space Inspectors, and encourages anyone with education or experience in Natural Resources, Forest Management, or those interested in a career with the Prevention/Forest Fuels Division to apply.

Defensible Space Inspectors work in the community to help residents understand how to better prepare their homes and communities for wildfire through education. Inspectors provide an evaluation of the property, and offer educational material to help residents “harden” their homes to wildfire, as well as to comply with California state law (Public Resource Code 4291) for defensible space. Inspectors deliver a “coupled approach” that includes a review of wildfire vulnerabilities focusing on fire resilient vegetation management and reducing combustible materials near the home, and also giving insight on construction components of the home, and how residents can mitigate those vulnerabilities. These evaluations and materials are provided at no cost to residents.

“Inspectors understand the importance of fire prevention and emergency preparedness, and work to arm our residents with the right information, tools, and resources to encourage effective on-the-ground-work,” said Eric Horntvedt, North Tahoe Fire’s Forest Fuels Coordinator. “They are a vital part of our team in helping our residents to proactively prepare for wildfire at the individual and community level.”

The positions are grant-funded, working 40-hours per week from approximately May through November. Applications are available at www.ntfire.net/current-openings. The application deadline is April 8th, apply now!

North Tahoe Fire is a member of the Tahoe Network of Fire Adapted Communities, a multi-agency and community collaboration helping residents to take individual action to collectively reduce their neighborhood’s risk from wildfire.

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The most effective way to prepare for wildfire is to create defensible space.



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Working together as neighbors is
our best defense.

