

The
BLUE JORDAN FOREST
Community Wildfire Protection Plan



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This Community Wildfire Protection Plan is a cooperative effort to improve wildfire protection and response. Those individuals listed below comprise the core decision-making team responsible for the development of this plan and mutually agree on the plan contents:

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Local Fire Department Representative(s):

- (1) Name & Title DAVID CASH – POLK COUNTY FIRE CHIEF
Signature *David Cash*
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Phone Number 863-519-7363
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Phone Number 863-559-6584

Local Florida Division of Forestry Representative(s):

- (1) Name & Title GARY ZIPPRER – DISTRICT MANAGER
Signature *Gary Zipprer*
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Phone Number 863-648-3163
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Phone Number 863-635-7801

U.S. Forest Service or Department of Interior Representative(s):

- (1) Name & Title N/A
Signature _____
Address _____
Phone Number _____
- (2) Name & Title _____
Signature _____
Address _____
Phone Number _____

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The following individuals or groups provided input into the preparation of this CWPP:

Name	Organization and Postal Address
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CWPP Meeting Dates & Locations:

JULY 21, 2009	INDIAN LAKE ESTATES
AUGUST 27, 2009	BLUE JORDAN FOREST DON LAYCOCK OFFICE
AUGUST 30, 2009	BLUE JORDAN FOREST DON LAYCOCK OFFICE
OCTOBER 21, 2009	BLUE JORDAN FOREST DON LAYCOCK OFFICE
NOVEMBER 30, 2009	BLUE JORDAN FOREST DON LAYCOCK OFFICE

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1 COMMUNITY BACKGROUND AND EXISTING SITUATION

Community Description:

Community Name BLUE JORDAN FOREST Phone 863-635-0301
Mailing Address 2706 R.E. BYRD ROAD Fax 863-635-6349
FROSTPROOF, FL 33843
Type of Government HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION Incorporated (year) 1986
Does the Community have a website? If yes, please list _____

Community Size:

Population 400 Total area (acres) 1060-299 LOTS
Estimated total number of structures 105 Estimated total wildland acres 800

Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) Group :

Is the CWPP consistent with recommendations of the LMS Working Group? Yes No

L.M.S. Contact Information:

Contact person's name DON LAYCOCK
Address 1274 SCRUB JAY TRAIL, FROSTPROOF, FL 33843
Phone number 863-368-0238
Email address TUSCONDON2@HUGHES.NET

Tree Protection or Landscape Ordinances that might impact fuel reduction treatments:

1. _____
Special restrictions: _____
2. _____
Special restrictions: _____

Estimated wildland/urban interface area:

- Boundary Wildland/Urban Interface 1060 acres
 Intermix Interface 800 acres
 Occluded or Island Interface _____ Acres

Predominant wildland fuel types (Example: Palmetto-Gallberry 3' - 6' with Dense Pine)

1. PALMETTO-GALLBERRY 4 -10' WITH PINE OVERSTORY PREDOMINATE
2. PATCHES OF COGAN'S GRASS
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

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Description of the community wildfire history (past 10 years):

LOW WILDFIRE OCCURRENCE

ONE FIRE IN THE 1900 IS ONLY RECORD

Has a wildfire risk assessment been completed? Yes No If yes, score: 115
(a copy of the assessment is attached)

2 COMMUNITY BASE MAP AND OTHER VISUALS

Attach a Community "Base Map" identifying: (1) Structural Fire and Wildland Fire Resources, (2) Critical Human Infrastructure (hospitals, schools, power stations, airports, etc.) and (3) Wildland/Urban Interface Areas.

3 CWPP GOAL(S) AND OBJECTIVES

Goal:

Objectives:

Reduce fuel loads and teach homeowners to recognize the potential danger of wildfires
Teach homeowners Firewise habits

4 PRIORITIZED MITIGATION RECOMMENDATIONS

The following recommendations were developed and are listed in priority order based upon which actions would most significantly mitigate the wildfire hazard in the Community.

A. Community Wildland Fuel Reduction Priorities:

List areas and treatments recommended.

Examples: (1) Prescribe burn 100 acres of palmetto/galberry at eastern Community boundary. (2) Mechanically Treat 20 acres on west boundary of Woodland View Subdivision.

A1 Establish a community map, locate structures on the map

A2 Do a risk assessment for wildfire

A3 Plan to chop or mow areas that are accessible, then burn

A4 Widen narrow road shoulders by mulching

B. Community Education Priorities:

Examples: (1) Distribute "Are You Firewise Florida?" brochures, (2) Conduct "How to Have a Firewise Home" workshop for Pineview Glen Subdivision.

B1 Schedule Firewise meetings as follow up on 7/21/09 meeting

B2 Distribute brochures on F/P and landscaping

B3 Have Firewise center at community meetings

B4 Encourage home owner participation at workshops

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C. Improved Wildland Fire Response Priorities:

Examples: (1) Install dry hydrants at Oak Valley Lake, (2) Upgrade PPE and hand tools for Glendale VFD.

- C1 Make all road signs non combustible
- C2 Make road shoulders wider and more drivable
- C3 _____
- C4 _____

5 ACTION PLAN

Funding Needs:

Provide estimated cost and potential funding sources for each project listed in section 4 (highest priority projects first)

Chopping & mulching 6 acres @ \$1,000.00 per acre	\$6,000.00
Burning 20 acres @ \$20.00 per acre	\$ 400.00
Mowing 100 acres @ \$40.00 per acre	\$4,000.00

Timeline:

For each project in section 4 provide an estimated start date and projected completion date.

Chopping & mulching	03/2010
Burning	06/2010
Mowing	05/2010

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Project Evaluation:

Describe the strategy to be used to determine the effectiveness of each project in section 4.

Establish a CWPP committee from homeowners

Assess the community for wildfire hazard

Assess scattered homes

Brochures have been distributed to some homeowners

CD on fire prevention have been given to some homeowners

6 LAND USE PLANNING AND FIRE RESPONSE

A. Does the Community have a Site Plan Review or Development Review process?

Yes

No

B. Is there an opportunity to make wildfire hazard assessment and mitigation planning part of the Site Plan Review or Development Review Process?

No

C. Resource Contact Information:

Emergency Operations Center

Polk County Emergency Management – Bill Abernathy

Bartow Airport N. Highway 17

Bartow, FL 33830 863-519-7478

Staffed Community Fire Stations
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Frostproof - 6 Miles – Polk County FD

Gulfview – 12 miles – Polk County FD

Indian Lake Estates – 10 Miles – Polk County FD

Division of Forestry Work Stations

Lake Wales Ridge State Forest – 4 miles

Volunteer Fire Departments

None

USFS or Department of Interior Work Center

None

Volunteer Disaster Support Agencies

CERT Representation
American Red Cross – Winter Haven, FL

7 CRITICAL FACILITIES

None – they depend on the City of Frostproof for all their services

8 ATTACHMENTS (List here in order of attachment)

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| 1 | By laws for the community |
| 2 | Street map of the development |
| 3 | Owner Association contact information |
| 4 | Wildfire Risk Assessment Checklist |