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"Living with Fire" Workshop, Field Trip Offered in Fort Collins

FORT COLLINS, Colo. – Homeowners residing in the wildland-urban interface in or near Fort Collins and who are interested in making their homes safer from wildfire are encouraged to attend a free fire mitigation workshop on April 5.

"Living with Fire: Will Your Home Survive?" will be offered from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Firehouse #9, 4914 Shoreline Drive, in Fort Collins west of Horsetooth Reservoir.

"The Colorado State Forest Service and its partners want to make sure landowners in the wildland-urban interface have the knowledge and resources they need to make their homes and properties more resilient to wildfire," said Diana Selby, assistant district forester for the CSFS Fort Collins District.

The workshop will offer presentations from several of the workshop's sponsors: Redstone Canyon Homeowners Association, CSFS, Poudre Fire Authority, Colorado State University, State Farm Insurance Society of American Foresters and the Colorado Tree Farm System. Following presentations, attendees will be offered a field trip to nearby Redstone Canyon, where they will have the opportunity to learn about a High Park Fire mitigation success story and get a firsthand look at an active mitigation project.

Those interested are encouraged to reserve their space early, as the event is limited to the first 30 participants. The workshop and field trip are free of charge, and include lunch and transportation. Registration can be completed online at http://goo.gl/nJHEp1.

For more information or to register by telephone, contact Bob Sturtevant, event coordinator, at 970-430-8651.

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