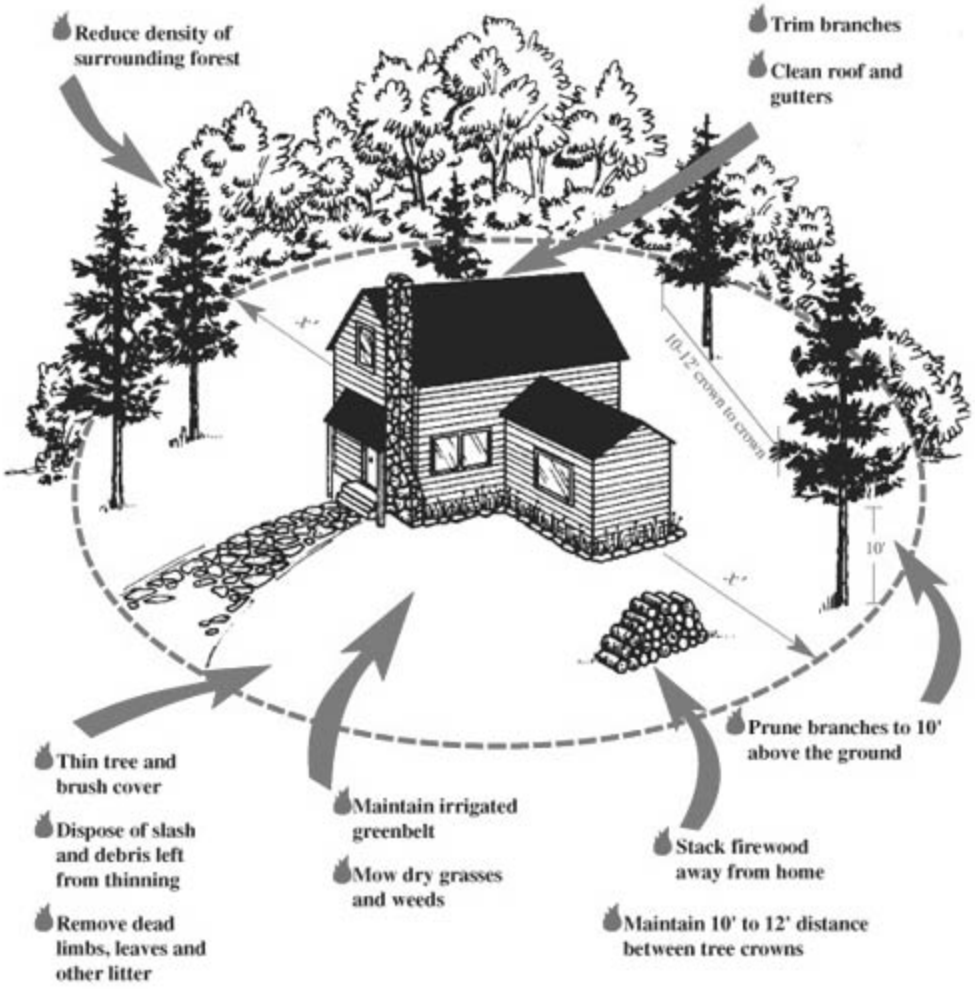

Defensible Space: Initial Projects

- Properly thin and prune trees and shrubs within the defensible space (see above).
- Dispose of slash from tree/shrub thinning.
- Stack firewood uphill from or on the same elevation as any structures, and at least 30 feet away from structures.
- Screen attic, roof, eaves and foundation vents, and periodically check them to ensure they are in good condition.
- Screen or wall-in stilt foundations and decks; screens should be 1/8-inch or smaller metal mesh (1/16-inch mesh is best).
- Post signs at the end of the driveway with your house number. These signs should be noncombustible, reflective and easily visible to emergency responders as they approach the house.
- Make sure the driveway is adequately cleared of trees and branches for access by fire and emergency equipment