Defensible Space: Annual Tasks

- Clear roof, deck and gutters of pine needles and other debris.
- Mow grass and weeds to a height of 6 inches or less.
- Rake all pine needles and other flammable debris away from the foundation of your home and deck.
- Remove trash and debris accumulations from your defensible space.
- Check fire extinguishers to ensure they are not expired and are in good working condition.
- Check chimney screens to make sure they are in place and in good condition.
- Remove branches that overhang the roof and chimney.
- Dispose of slash from tree and shrub thinning.
- Be sure unused firewood is stored at least 30 feet and uphill from your house.