

## Wildland Urban Fire Summit (WUFS) Highlights Day 2

- Pre-identify potential control lines with the highest likelihood of success
- Summarize wildfire risk and suppression opportunities/challenges
- Help develop strategic response strategies
- Facilitate cross-boundary planning, communication, incident management, fuel treatment prioritization

Potential wildland fire operations delineations (**PODs**) are useful for summarizing wildfire risk and planning strategic response. POD boundaries guide choices to where to construct or hold fire lines as well as where to conduct

burnout operations. PODs may also prove useful for strategic fuels planning, designing controlled burn units, reinforcing existing POD boundaries, or prioritizing treatment opportunities within PODs. Link to presentations & recordings.

# FIRE HAS A ROLE:

"Our capacity as fire creatures defines our ecological imprint as no other trait can. Other animals knock over trees, dig holes, eat plants, and hunt, but only human beings apply and withhold fire.

The ecology of fire on Earth reflects our own existence; that is, its dynamics embody our knowledge (and ignorance) as well as our will and our capacity to choose.

The living world claimed ignition from lightning's lottery but lost sovereignty to something called culture."

- Stephen J Pyne, How Plants Use Fire (And Are Used By It)

### October cybersecurity awareness— Securing internet connected devices in healthcare

With the wide acceptance of telehealth during this pandemic, the word on the street is that when life gets back to a new normal, that telehealth is here to stay.

How many of you have a Fitbit or an Apple Watch that are Bluetooth enabled and send health information to an app on your phone? And you don't think twice about using these devices to improve your health. What about other apps like WW (formerly known as Weight Watchers) or apps that track your blood pressure and send those results automatically to your health care provider.

- Make sure the mobile device that you use for collecting/sharing health information is password protected
- When out and about, turn off wifi setting on your mobile device to prevent access
- Check app permissions and say "no" to privilege requests unfamiliar to you
- Ignore unwanted emails and go directly to the reliable site for your COVID-19 related information ~NACo.org

# Land and Water Conservation Fund has \$\$\$

The conservation fund is fully and permanently funded. The Outdoor Recreation Roundtable has created a survey to capture Land and Water Conservation Fund projects that would benefit businesses, recreation activities, and communities and give NM more visibility at the federal level. The survey asks for basic project information, recreation activities it would support, and context about the project's development to date. If you applied for the ORD Special Projects and Outdoor Infrastructure Fund and didn't receive one of the state grants this cycle, add your project to this survey. Fill out the survey at <u>ORR LWCF Project Survey</u>.

#### Link to NMC Meetings Annual Calendar Link to NMC Loss Prevention Trainings <u>RSVP</u> SAVE THE DATE—NMC Virtual Legislative Conference January 18-21, 2021

Tue. Nov. 3	<b>LP Webinar</b> Required Hot Work Permit Program 10 a.m. w.anymeeting.com/PIID=EF54DC87824A3E
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Thur. Nov. 5	<b>Zoom</b> NMC Executive Committee meeting 2 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 6	<b>Virtual</b> NMC/NMML Joint Legislative Meeting 9 a.m.
Tue. Nov. 17	<b>LP Webinar</b> Permit Controlled Confined Spaces 10 a.m.
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Thur. Nov. 19	<b>LP Online</b> Medic First Aid CPR Instructor Development Training (Max 5 attendees)
Tue Nov 24	<b>NEW</b> First Line Supervisor-Leadership 5-week course, 40-hour, webinar every Tuesday 8-5 p.m. Nov 24-Dec 22, 2020 Register, email Greg, grees@nmcounties.org
Dec . 1,2,7,8	Better Informed Public Officials (BIPO) Training Dec. 1, 8 a.mNoon, Dec. 2, 8 a.m1 p.m., Dec. 7, 8 a.m1 p.m., Dec. 8, 8 a.m Noon Advisory Council meeting 1 p.m. <b>TBD</b>
Thur Dec 3	Advisory council meeting 1 p.m. TBD
Wed Dec 9	NMCIA Board meeting 8:30 a.m. <b>TBD</b>

### **Rent and Mortgage Assistance**

On Monday, November 2, MFA will begin accepting applications for the new COVID-19 Housing Cost Assistance Program. The program will provide qualifying New Mexicans with as much as \$1,500 per month for up to three months to pay back rent or mortgage payments and other housing costs.

Applications will be accepted from 8 a.m. Monday, November 2 through 5 p.m. Friday, November 13 only. The link to e-application will be live on MFA's website Monday. Complete program details, including household income limits by county, can be found at housingnm.org or email bcoats@housingnm.org



Raul on radio! Tune in to hear Grant

County Assessor jib and jab about the election returns on **Tuesday**, **November 3 starting at 6:30 p.m.** on GMCR community radio KURU 89.1 FM. Should be very entertaining. You can listen online at <u>GMCR.org</u>



NM EDGE classes coming January!

"T" is for **TRAINING!** NM EDGE is offering **LIVE ONLINE** classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays

the entire month of JANUARY!

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<u>Flu shots</u> <u>serve as a</u> <u>'rehearsal'</u> <u>for COVID</u> <u>vaccine</u> delivery

As COVID-19 cases climb in recent weeks at the same time flu activity peaks, counties are fighting to ward off a "twin-demic" situation battling two viruses at once.

## Executive order establishes One Trillion Trees Initiative Council

The initiative seeks to conserve, restore, and grow one trillion trees by 2030. Counties play a key role in forest management, as 61.6% of counties have federal lands within their boundaries.

## NACo Leadership Academy Update

29 counties have signed up. Let's get the four remaining counties (De Baca, Lea, Lincoln, & Rio Arriba) to enroll one person (free!) for the 12-wk class starting January 11, 2021. Lock in your scholarships by Nov. 20 to Ben Graves, beng@pdaleadership.com

Wed Nov 18 Fall Virtual CIO Forum Series— Broadband 10 a.m.-1 p.m. MT