

Town of Green Mountain Falls

Special Fire Mitigation Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda Thursday, January 12, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.

ZOOM-ONLY MEETING

Join the Zoom Meeting by clicking on the following link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88196775562?pwd=NWI2anAwOEhPcGNRbTZMdkM5K0RKQT09

Meeting ID: 881 9677 5562; Passcode: 175169; Dial-in: 346-248-7799

To make a **public comment** please **pre-register** by 4pm on the day of the meeting via email:

david@falconpartnersltd.com

REGULAR MEETING:

TIME*		ITEM	DESIRED OUTCOME
6:30	1.	CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL	
6:30	2.	ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CORRECTION TO THE AGENDA	FMC Action Desired
6:30	3.	CUSP/GMF RIGHTS OF WAY MITIGATION PROJECT 1. Review Community Forum and Project Announcement (Letter) 2. Review Map of ROWs 3. Discuss Forum content and speakers 4. Discuss methods of dissemination 5. Discuss property boundaries	FMC Action Desired
8:00	4.	ADJOURN	Information Only

^{*}Please note: Times are approximate.

^{**}The Town shall provide reasonable accommodation for those with disabilities on a case by case basis. Please send accommodation requests to clerk@gmfco.us by 4pm on the date of the meeting.

Save the Date

Rights of Way Fuels Mitigation Project



January ___, 2023

Dear Property Owners and Residents of Green Mountain Falls,

This summer, as part of our ongoing work to reduce wildfire threat in Green Mountain Falls, the town will remove brush and dead trees from several acres of town-owned property. Most of the work will occur on rights of way (ROW) -- strips of land on sides of undeveloped roads, parts of roads and alleys throughout town. Most ROWs contain brush and dead trees that increase the town's fire risk. The undeveloped ROWs are highlighted in red in the attached map.

The Coalition for the Upper South Platte (CUSP) will perform the work under direction of its forester, Adrian Knight. CUSP recently finished mitigating 12.5 acres along the Thomas Trail as part of a two-mile fuel break around GMF.

We are writing to ask for your help and cooperation in this effort. In many cases, ROWs are adjacent to private property. On (DATE), GMF will hold a community forum and public hearing at Town Hall for owners to comment on the plan for mitigating ROWs adjacent to their property. At the meeting, the town will seek agreement with adjoining property owners for the mitigation of fuel on or near their property lines. It will also ask them to sign a release of liability from inadvertent encroachment on private property.

Following the meeting, the ROW mitigation will be carried out under this plan.

- CUSP will mark boundary trees to delineate the ROW from privately owned land with a
 unique ribbon color or flags. Existing fences will be considered property boundaries. CUSP
 will also prioritize areas for work, depending upon how much of a threat they pose and how
 easily they can be mitigated. In addition, CUSP will identify constraints such as power lines
 or other encroachments.
- CUSP will use a second color to mark large trees in the ROW for removal.
- A ROW mitigation schedule will be created and communicated.
- Mitigation tentatively begins May 2023 with routine updates on progress and crew movements from area to area.

CUSP will apply best practices for forest management. This includes removing diseased trees, widening the spaces between crowns (tops), thinning ladder fuels, removing dead standing trees, and retaining a diversity of species.

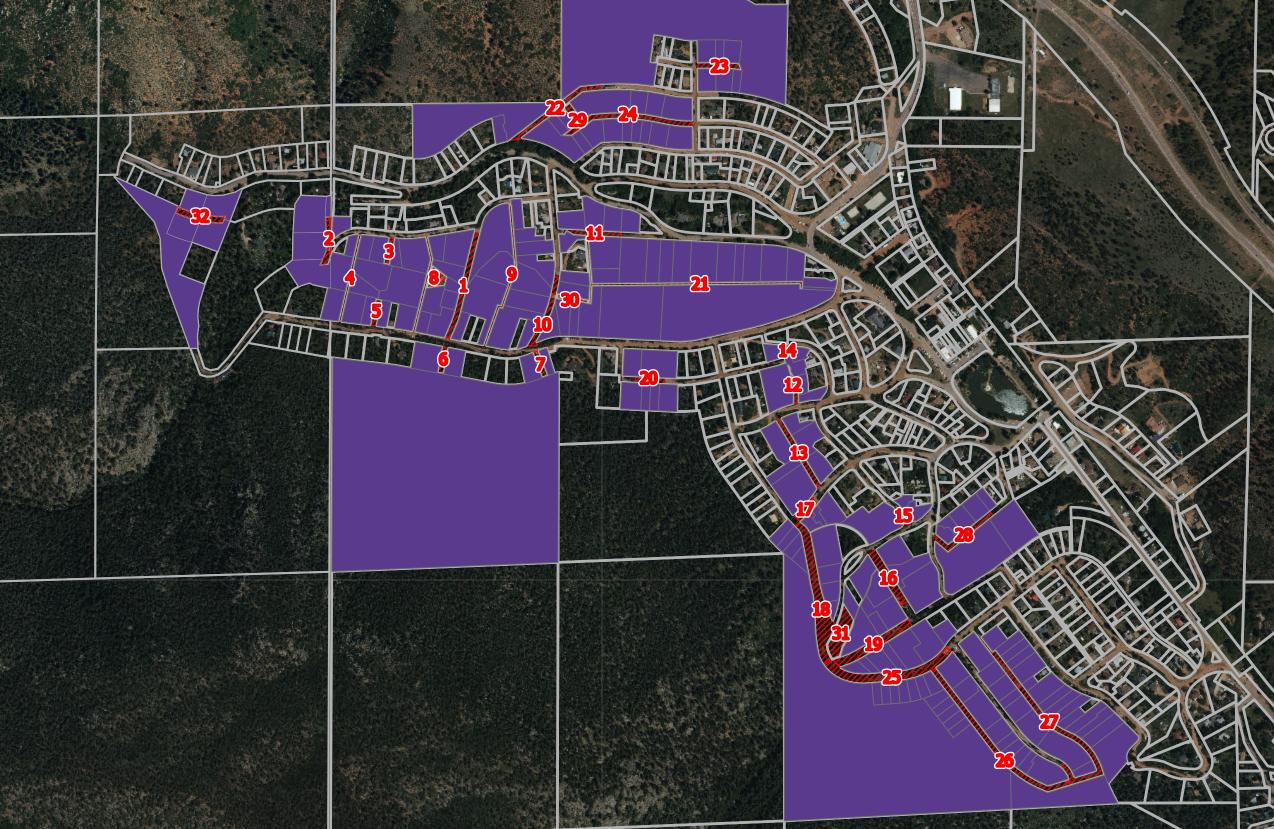
If you are interested in learning more about the mitigation, please contact a member of town staff or any member of the GMF Fire Mitigation Advisory Committee.

Thank you for your support in keeping our town, our homes, and our neighbors safe from wildfire!

David Douglas, Chair, Fire Mitigation Advisory Committee

Dan Battin Kelly Hunter John Bell Paul Yingling

The Green Mountain Falls Fire Mitigation Advisory Committee (FMAC) exists to help in preventing death, injury, and damage to property due to wildfire. The FMAC is a volunteer committee of GMF residents, organized under the authority of the Town of Green Mountain Falls.



ROWNumber	ROWName	ACREAGE
1	Iona/Scott	0.577186
2	Falls Ave West	0.205646
3	11101 Falls Ave	0.140202
4	Falls to Hondo West	0.232309
5	11180 Hondo	0.141459
6	11101 Hondo	0.137631
7	10989 Hondo	0.137581
8	Falls to Hondo Central	0.474581
9	Cottage to Hondo	0.394951
10	Iona to Hondo	0.386744
11	Iona to Kansas	0.256733
12	Denver to Foster	0.148898
13	Foster to Illinois	0.401019
14	Colorado to Denver	0.057184
15	Colorado to Boulder	0.102145
16	Boulder to Garfield	0.470759
17	Illinois to Mountain	0.19639
18	Boulder into Wallace	1.291658
19	Garfield into Wallace	0.657311
20	Denver to Denver	0.148636
21	Iona East	0.559477
22	Myrtle to Belvidere	0.520279
23	Ora east	0.221721
24	Florence west	0.681683
25	Mountain into Wallace	1.058636
26	Hillside above Grant	0.992667
27	Mountain to Grant	1.156604
28	Hotel to Park	0.371771
29	Myrtle Parcel	0.146995
30	Iona Parcel	0.135987
31	Boulder St Parcel	0.559614
32	Belvidere Parcel	0.260082
	total acreage =	13.22454



