



FIRE ADAPTED BAILEY

Building Community & Wildfire Resilience

Our Mission

Our mission is to significantly reduce the inevitable impacts to our homes, businesses, schools, viewsheds, infrastructure, and watersheds due to a major wildfire event.

Bailey Area Values at Risk of a Wildfire

- Loss of viewsheds
- Damage to watersheds
- Tourism disruption
- Disruption to phone, cell, internet, gas & electrical service
- Reduction in property values

What We Provide

- “How to Get Firewise” education and coaching for Bailey area subdivisions
- Home and Property Wildfire Readiness Evaluations for property owners
- Community wide risk and fire adaption assessments
- Bailey area community wildfire educational events
- In conjunction with the Platte Canyon Fire Protection District we help to provide a multi-pronged action plan for community wildfire adaption



Who are we?

We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit lead by committed volunteers from several of our recognized Bailey area Firewise USA Communities.

Defining our Bailey Area Landscape

- ❖ North Park County from Pine Junction to Kenosha Pass
- ❖ A 311-square area identical to the Platte Canyon School District
- ❖ We are 21.1% private and 78.9% public land
- ❖ We share a common Forest Ecosystem and Wildfire Risk
- ❖ 68 sub-divisions of which 32 are at high risk of a crown fire
- ❖ Over 9,500 residents and 5,500 housing units at risk

What have we been doing?

- We have grown our recognized **Firewise USA Community Footprint** from 15% to 40% of our residential parcel count. Additional subdivisions “on-deck” will bring us to 60%.
- In conjunction with Platte Canyon Fire, we led the effort to acquire a **\$300K FEMA Grant** to fire mitigate 150-acres on and around the Deer Creek Elementary School. DCES is the school at highest risk of wildfire within the school district.
- Based on the momentum we have attained, we will be receiving \$100,000 in **State-of-the-Art Wildfire Modeling and Analysis**. This work will be done by the Rocky Mountain Research Center and will

Bailey Wildfires ~ Can we get out alive?

Join Fire Adapted Bailey in helping to **Crowdfund** the mitigation of our roadways for a **safe wildfire evacuation**.

THE WHY

When the sheriff calls for a wildfire evacuation there will be chaos. The call could happen at any time of day or night. Hundreds of vehicles may be attempting to evacuate. In the midst of this chaos, it is absolutely essential that our major evacuation routes not be in flames.

WHY CROWDFUND?

Traditional federal and state sources of funds for wildfire mitigation specifically exclude roadway mitigation.

Think of this \$100,000 project as an investment in our collective safety.

OUR MAJOR EVACUATION ROUTES

(roadways that could become blocked by wildfire, trapping 100's of evacuees)

CR43 & Shelton Road
CR72, Rosalie Rd, Roland Vly Dr
Mt Evans Blvd & Nova Rd

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help us predict how wildfire will behave in our entire landscape, on both public and private lands. Further analysis in collaboration with Platte Fire and the USFS will include pre-planning for the worst-case wildfire scenarios. This will improve our “BEFORE and DURING” wildfire readiness and help to strategically inform our fire mitigation efforts. All of this modeling and analysis will be rolled into our new Community Wildfire Preparedness Plan (CWPP).

➤ 150 years of aggressive fire suppression have created an unbalanced Local Forest with a few million extra trees. Since this will take a generation or more to correct, **the first order of business must be a safe evacuation.** To that end we have brokered an agreement between Platte Fire and the County that allows Platte Fire to fire mitigate our critical evacuation routes. Since, federal and state grant monies specifically exclude roadway mitigation we are sponsoring and launching a Crowdfunding campaign to finance this critical public safety work. **Our Bailey community will have to do this on its own.**



Westin Pass Fire Burn Scar

What is a Fire Adapted Community?

There are three national wildfire resilience programs:

1. **Ready-Set-Go** is an International Fire Chiefs program targeted at creating defensible space for individual homeowners.
2. **Firewise USA** is a federal recognition program targeted primarily at the subdivision level. It leverages the existing leadership of HOA's, POA's, etc. to drive fire mitigation efforts and awareness within a given subdivision.
3. **Fire Adapted Communities** are part of the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy. That strategy is a three-legged stool of:
 - ✓ Resilient Landscapes,
 - ✓ Fire Adapted Communities and,
 - ✓ Safe & Effective Wildfire Response

Compared to Ready-Set-Go and Firewise USA, Fire Adapted Communities are asked to take a much broader community-wide view of wildfire preparedness. This includes a look from 10,000 feet at **how well we are prepared as a community BEFORE, DURING, and AFTER a wildfire event.**