## OFFICE OF THE FIRE MARSHAL

## **BIG BEAR FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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Dear Property Owner,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the property owners who did their part to help reduce the risk of wildfire in the Big Bear Valley during the past year. In our on-going efforts to reduce the risks of wildfire, Big Bear Fire Department will once again be doing fire hazard abatement inspections throughout the 92314, 92315, and 92386 zip codes. **This letter shall serve as official notice** to all property owners that these inspections will begin June 25, 2024, and continue throughout the year.

It is the responsibility of every property owner to maintain adequate defensible space around their property throughout the year. Properties found to be out of compliance <u>may be subject</u> to penalties on first inspection without additional notification. These properties pose an unnecessary fire risk to adjacent properties.

Our priority defensible space requirements are included with this notice and can also be found on our website at <a href="https://www.bigbearfire.org">www.bigbearfire.org</a>.

It is essential that Big Bear Valley property owners take the time to abate hazardous vegetation throughout their property to aide in keeping our community safe. The actions that property owners take could mean the difference in their or their family's survival, the survival of their property, and the survival of their neighborhood in the event of a major fire.

Once again, we would like to thank you for your time and effort to keep our community safe.

Respectfully,

Mike Maltby Fire Marshal

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