



Summer 2020

Smoke Signals

Indian Hills Fire Protection District

Serving the Citizens of Indian Hills Since 1947

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Fourth of July

Unfortunately, the normal Fourth of July activities we have here at the fire station have fallen victim to COVID-19. We cannot have the July Movie Night, the Pancake Breakfast, or the Parade in the traditional manner due to the current social distancing guidelines and county permitting requirements. However, this is still Indian Hills and the Fourth of July is kind of our thing, so we still have something special planned. We are planning a "Training Operation" on the Fourth of July beginning at about 10:00 a.m. that will follow this route:

Parmalee Gulch to Santa Clara Rd, around Santa Clara then left on Taos Road, right onto Cherokee Road, right onto Taos Road, left on Giant Gulch, right on Anahina Road, right on Shawnee Road to Chiquita, right on Natsihi Road. We will resume on Inca Road to Otowi Road, Right on Kiowa, left on Nampeyo Road, Right on Otowi Road, right on Navajo Road, Supai Road to Matterhorn Drive to Weisshorn Drive, left on Mont Blanc Drive, Right on Moqui Road, Left on Aztec Road, Right on Shoshone Road, Right on Commanche Road, left on Picutis, left on Ohkay Road.

If you would like to go down to the end of your driveway along this route, we would love to see your smiling faces (behind masks, of course) along the way. We ask that this be a dry year and that you respect the current guidelines for social distancing and gatherings of less than 10 people.

We miss "Normal", too and we continue to look for opportunities to interact with our community. This is the best we can do under the circumstances and we have not given up hope on trying to make the final Movie Night work, but it's going to depend on what the restrictions are at the time. Please keep an eye on our website and Facebook page for updates.

Fire Boots Volunteers Needed:

Are you looking to help, but don't want to be a firefighter or medic?

The auxiliary, or Fire Boots, is comprised of community members who support the department through fundraising, special projects, administrative assistance, public education and outreach, and other non-emergency roles.

For more information, visit our website at www.ihfr.org.

Slash Collection Dates and Locations

Location: Settlers Drive location near US 285 and Settlers Drive.
(Follow local signage for entry and exit instructions.)

Date: July 4-5, July 11-12 **Time:** 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

What is NOT accepted?

- Household trash
- Tree stumps
 - Construction material and lumber
 - Metal material of any kind
 - Rocks
 - Yard waste/grass clippings

What is accepted?

- Slash – limbs, branches, and tree debris
- Maximum length – 8 feet
 - Maximum diameter – 6 inches
 - Pine needles, tree bark
 - pinecones, bagged or unbagged
 - In addition, leaves accepted at the Thunder Valley Park location only

Fees for Slash Drop-off

Any size truck or trailer is welcome at Jefferson County Slash Collection sites. Dump fees are based on six cubic yards (162 cubic feet) of material: 6 yards = 1 load. The cost to drop off a single "load" is \$20. Credit cards only.

- Truck bed full to truck cab height
- Trailer up to 8' l x 5' w x 4' h
- Loads outside these parameters will be charged accordingly

The fees that are charged help to offset the cost for the processing equipment, staffing and keeping the program sustainable so it can continue into future years.

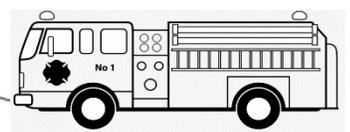
For other slash locations and dates please visit the Jefferson County slash website:
<https://www.jeffco.us/2493/Slash-Collection>

If We Cannot Find You, We Cannot Help You!

Indian Hills Fire Rescue offers affordable house number signs made of rust-free aluminum with white numbers on a blue reflective background to help us find you should the need arise.

The signs are available in horizontal and vertical formats with numbers on one or both sides. Pricing is \$15 for a one-sided sign and \$20 for a two-sided sign. You can order your house number sign by completing an order form, which is available on our website at www.ihfr.org.

If you have any questions about the signs, please call 303-697-4568.



CURRENT ADDRESS CORRECT?

Make sure that your Colorado driver's license or state ID has your current address. If there is an emergency that requires evacuation, returning to your residence could be delayed or denied if your information is not current.

NOT authorized during STAGE ONE fire restrictions:

Any fire or campfire, not within a permanently constructed fire grate in a developed park, campground, private residence, or picnic area is NOT authorized during Jefferson County fire restrictions.

Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area of at least six feet diameter that is barren or cleared of all combustible material is NOT authorized during Jefferson County fire restrictions.

The use of all fireworks is prohibited within Jefferson County in a fire restriction.

Open burning including 'bon fires' that require a permit from the fire authority having jurisdiction, will not be allowed during Jefferson County fire restrictions (IFC 105.6.30).

Note: Burn permits issued and not executed prior to the effective date of these fire restrictions shall not be authorized unless approved by the issuing agency on the day of execution.

Private residential recreational campfires exempted as described above, are encouraged to contact their local fire agency and advise start and finish times to alleviate smoke check responses.

NOT authorized during STAGE TWO fire ban:

*charcoal grill * tiki torches *fire pit *sky lantern *chiminea *fireworks *smoking *trash burn

Operating a chain saw **without** an approved spark arresting device is prohibited. A chemical pressurized fire extinguisher of not less than eight ounces capacity by weight must be with the chain saw operator. A large pointed shovel with an overall length of at least thirty-six inches must be kept with the fueling supplies, but readily available for quick use.

Allowed during STAGE ONE fire restrictions:

*charcoal grills *chimineas *fire pits
* tiki torches *chain saw *heating devices
*other torches *permit fires *fire dept training

Allowed during STAGE TWO fire ban:

*gas grills *gas fire pits
*gas stoves *gas lanterns

ENFORCEMENT

Jefferson County deputies will strictly enforce the temporary fire ban and temporary fire restrictions in the unincorporated areas, to include federal lands. Pursuant to County Policy Part 3, Chapter 6, Section 2, authorizing the Declaration of Open Fire Bans, violations of these prohibitions, upon conviction, is punishable by a fine of not more than \$600. Such act(s) violate section(s) 102.8 and / or 308.2.1 of the International Fire Code.

To get the latest information on the local fire restrictions call the Jeffco Information Hotline at 303.271.8200 or you can register for text or email alerts at Jeffco.us/list.aspx

For information on statewide fire restrictions go to: coemergency.com/p/fire-bans-danger.html



While Jeffcom provides efficiencies for communities and residents, it does not replace important programs like Smart911, CodeRed and Text-to-911 that are already in place. These programs work together to provide every possible method to help those in need.

With Smart911, you can provide 911 call takers and first responders critical information you want them to know in any kind of emergency. When you call 911, your Smart911 Safety Profile displays on the 911 screen and the 911 call takers can view your addresses, medical information, home information, description of pets and vehicles, and emergency contacts. You can provide as much or as little information as you like. Smart911 is a national service meaning your Smart911 Safety Profile travels with you and is visible to any participating 911 center nationwide.

For more information about Smart911:

<https://www.smart911.com/>

All non-emergency calls please use the number:

303-980-7300



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The Chief's Corner

Recruitment

Indian Hills Fire Rescue is a volunteer fire department. We all have our own reasons for volunteering; some do it because they recognize the needs of the community and are committed to filling that need, some do it because they enjoy the camaraderie of working closely with others, some do it to advance their training, some do it to get some away time. Contrary to popular TV, most of our calls aren't highly dangerous; they're medical calls helping a neighbor with a medical emergency or someone involved in an accident and getting them to the hospital. It isn't all about running into burning buildings... for that matter, we've only had three of those in the last 14 years! Come join us if you are interested... we provide free training and equipment for medical and fire responders.

HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY FOURTH! SEE YOU SOON!



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