



# WILDLAND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION, Inc.

## San Marcos Pass Volunteer Fire Department

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SMPERS 1040 AM

### WRA Membership Letter

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Dear Neighbor:

We have faced many challenges in 2008 & 2009. Most of us are fortunate to still be in our homes after the Tea and Jesusita fires; some are not. The loss of years of work, family possessions and property for the Mountain Drive, Mission Canyon and San Roque communities is profound. You have our sympathy and support.

In the last two years, every one of the communities represented by the WRA- Mountain Drive, Painted Cave, Paradise, Rosario Park, San Marcos Pass, Trout Club and West Camino Cielo- has been evacuated, threatened or damaged by fire. The WRA helped mitigate the impacts of these events. We experienced the benefits of having a voice in the County fire suppression network during and between incidents. The WRA is a respected leader on the Fire Safe Council. Our president has been appointed to a State Board of Fire Services, which brings resources to our area.

Clearing fuel breaks is one of the effective ways protecting our communities. The WRA has devoted a huge effort at prevention by hazard reduction. Through the work of Ted Adams, Mike Williams and the Board, the WRA has obtained Fire Safe Council grants valued at many thousands of dollars. All of this money has gone into protecting our communities.

It is a consistently strong membership that convinces FEMA, the Orfalea Family Fund, the Woods Claeysens Foundation to extend these grants. Your new membership or renewal is crucial. It covers the San Marcos Pass Emergency Radio Station (SMPERS 1040 AM), the maintenance of fire vehicles and insurance for fire fighters. Your help binds us together into an effective organization that provides services that government and individuals cannot offer.

If you agree that having an emergency radio station that informs you specifically about current events and emergencies in the mountain communities; if you agree that road and brush clearing gives us a measure of protection; if you agree that the WRA deserved its recognition as a Local Hero in the Independent, then please send in your tax-deductible, membership dues today.

Your continued support is appreciated. If the WRA can be of any assistance to you or your family, please do not hesitate to give us a call.

Thanks For Your Support,  
Michael S. Williams  
President-Executive Director

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Please return with your check in the enclosed envelope. Make any corrections below.

Area

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Camino Cielo    Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mountain Drive \_\_\_\_\_

Painted Cave    \_\_\_\_\_

Paradise \_\_\_\_\_

Rosario Park    Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

San Marcos Pass \_\_\_\_\_

Trout Club      Special Needs in Emergency \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Donation Recommendations: Individual \$35, Family \$75, Public Organization \$150, Business with Web Ad \$300 (Please call 964-7194 to arrange for a business graphic for the website)

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