

PLEASE READ THIS!

Your participation is key to both future fire insurance availability and legal compliance.

Why are you receiving this packet?

- 1) Your RTG Fire Committee is working toward the goal of assuring that residents have best possible chance of protecting both their homes and our community from wildfires.
- 2) Residents can ensure that RTG retains its status as a Firewise® Recognized community. This is an important legal compliance and insurance renewal component.
- 3) To provide evacuation processes and procedures for assisting the safety of all residents.

Contained in this packet are working documents that are directly connected to both home survivability and insurability.

Documents to be completed by you are highlighted in **BOLD**
-LE 100a "How to make my home safe"

This check list and the detailed fire fuel mitigation work listed is to be completed by RTG residents as we are located within a WUI (Wildfire Urban Interface) area as legislated per AB 4291 passed in 2014. The work outlined in this document must be completed EVERY YEAR or, if previously done, routinely checked off by the resident and neighborhood Division Captain. All information collected is confidential. We encourage a commitment by the community to achieve full participation. When the completed forms are returned to the Division Captain(s), the RTGFSC will summarize all of the data (no individual information is reported) and submit it to Firewise by October 1, 2026 for renewal

-Volunteer Hourly Worksheet

Our fire year begins October 1 and ends September 30. Please be sure to record all your personal hours, contractor costs, and construction costs for any work that enhances fire resistance. This includes replacing a wood roof, adding/redoing a deck with fire resistant materials, stuccoing wooden outside walls, landscaping work branch trimming, equipment rentals, chipping work, etc. We are documenting the overall fire mitigation expenses which averaged per reported home over \$4030 for service expense and 13 hours of personal labor last year (2025)

-RTGFSC Chipping Request Form

We are planning chipping operations in June and October (live oak pruning) of 2026. Please complete this form and deliver it 10 days prior to the announced chipping date. This effort yielded over 90 cubic yards of chipped wildfire fuel in 2025.

As highlighted in the LE 100a, be aware that beginning January 1, 2023 the defensible space code addition (AB 3074), 0 ft to 5 ft “Ember Resistant Zone” went into force. The recent LA fires have clearly shown how important this is to improve home survivability.

What does this have to do with insurance? The State of California Department of Insurance is working to incentivize communities to perform fire fuel mitigation work. This is to improve availability and affordability of property-casualty insurance. Completion of your LE100a is the best and most powerful record that we can have.

There are two important links on the rtghoa.org website that compliment and further explain the documents in this packet. Both are in the RTG Fire Safety Section under 2026 RTG Firewise Program.

Pictorial Instructions for LE100a Checklist

<https://rtghoa.org/wp-content/uploads/2025-Pictorial-Instructions-for-LE100a-Checklist.pdf>

This covers the specific requirements of the LE100a checklist

Cal Fire Wildfire Action Plan

<https://cal-fire-communications.paperturn-view.com/cal-fire-ready-set-go-brochure-final-files-v4-print?pid=MjU252417&v=3>

This is a complete manual covering wildfire preparation from home protection to emergency evacuation.

Please see our website rtghoa.org/fire/ for detailed home safety and emergency information. Or, use this QR code to go to the home page then go to *RTG Fire Safety*.



