

HOURS OF OPERATION:

- Normally 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
- Workdays are scheduled according to initial contact date and need
- Staff will be available 3-4 days per week except in winter season
- Cancellations may occur due to weather conditions or at CUSP's discretion

Due to the many programs CUSP administers, advance scheduling is recommended, so call soon!

To learn more about property management, fire and wildfire protection, please visit the following web sites:

www.firewise.org
<http://csfs.colostate.edu/>
www.fs.fed.us/r2/psicc/fire/
www.aboutchainsaws.com/
www.rockymountainwildlandfire.info/



*We are all responsible
for protecting our watershed
and the forests we call home.
Join CUSP and lend a hand!*

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Neighborhood Fuels Reduction Program



The ***Coalition for the Upper South Platte (CUSP)*** helps property owners manage their home ignition zone within the Upper South Platte Watershed.

THE FACTS:

- 1) CUSP strives to reduce fire hazards by working cooperatively with property owners
- 2) Scheduling priority will be given to community based projects

BEFORE WE ARRIVE:

- Pile slash close to roads, drives or an open field for easy access
- 12" maximum diameter: small trees can be left whole
- **No roots, root wads, weeds, trash, or lumber of any kind!**
- **Watch for nails in trees!**
- Pile slash with cut ends facing one direction (**see pictures**→)
- Piles should be laid in low rows no higher than 4' tall
- Property owner or representative must be present
- Piles not meeting CUSP's specifications will not be chipped

WHEN WE ARRIVE:

- ✓ Keep children and pets inside
- ✓ **Be available to help with the work** when physically possible
- ✓ Please have safety equipment available, including: eye and ear protection, long shirt and pants, gloves and sturdy boots
- ✓ CUSP may be able to provide minimal safety gear

Example of a **PROPERLY STACKED** pile



Example of an **IMPROPERLY STACKED** pile



CUSP crew & volunteer during chipper workday

We are not a contracted chipper service. We are here to work with you!

Donations are very important for the future of this program. CUSP appreciates any help you may be able to provide.

A suggested contribution for this service is \$75 per hour.

CUSP is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization and your donations are tax-deductible.