



Genesee
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT



University of Colorado
Boulder

Dear Genesee Fire Protection District Resident,

We recently requested your participation in an important survey about Genesee Fire Protection District and wildfire. Many residents have completed and returned the survey. However, we would like to hear from you so we can consider your opinions. If you have already returned the survey, thank you for your participation. If you have not yet responded, please complete and return the enclosed survey.

The “Living with Wildfire in Genesee in 2021” survey is a collaborative effort between Genesee Fire Protection District, the University of Colorado, and the Wildfire Research (WiRē) Center. We need your help to develop more effective community wildfire programs. It is our goal to proactively confront wildfire preparedness issues before the smoke is in the air.

Participation in this study is completely voluntary. The survey is intended to take roughly 20 minutes. We realize your time is valuable and we appreciate you taking the time to fill out the survey.

When you return the survey, your name will be deleted from the mailing list. Survey results will be reported in summary form and your name will not be connected to your answers in any way. After completing the survey, please fold it and put it in the postage paid return envelope. By returning the survey, you acknowledge your rights as a study participant (please see more details on the back of this letter).

If you have any questions about the collaborative project, please email or call Dorie Dalton, Wildland Specialist at GFPD at ddalton@genesee-fire.org or 303-526-1230. If you have any questions about the survey, please email Hannah Brenkert-Smith at hannahb@colorado.edu. Thank you for participating.

Sincerely,

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Your Rights as a Participant

We will make every effort to maintain the confidentiality of the study data. We will never publish information about individuals who participate in the study; we will present research results in summary form and keep all records and data secure.

There are no foreseeable risks associated with your participation in the survey.

You may withdraw from the study at any time and for any reason. If you have questions, concerns, or complaints about this research and you would like to talk to the research team, please contact Dr. Hannah Brenkert-Smith at hannahb@colorado.edu. This research has been reviewed and approved by an Institutional Review Board (IRB). You may talk to them at 303-735-3702 or irbadmin@colorado.edu if: your questions, concerns, or complaints are not being answered by the research team; you cannot reach the research team; you want to talk to someone besides the research team; you have questions about your rights as a research subject; or you want to get information or provide input about this research.