



# 2006 Oakland Wildfire Prevention Assessment District Annual Summary



## WPAD SERVICES AND BENEFITS

Protection of lives and values – Reduce the risk of wildfire, loss of life and property

- Inspection Services: Continual process of inspection, follow-up, education, enforcement on 25,000 parcels
- Roadside Fuel Reduction: Conducted on more than 80 linear miles completed
- Chipping Program: Year-round free service to homeowners to comply with defensible space guidelines
- Goat Grazing: 4,000 goats reduce hazardous fuels on more than 460 acres of grasslands completed
- Public Outreach and Wildfire Prevention Education Annual Notice: Mailed to 27,000 property owners
- Website, Email and Hotline: Active for response to citizens
- Red Flag Day: Procedures, patrols and vigilance on extreme fire danger weather days for community

## PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- Conduct inspections on city-owned parcels, unimproved private parcels, improved private parcels
- Increase the rate of compliance with state and local regulations for defensible space on all parcels
- Produce and monitor fuel reduction treatment and schedule with large property/public entity partners
- Conduct and follow-up on inspection process year-round
- Sensitivity to and compliance with environmental regulations: Increased awareness and protocols
- Respond year-round to customer issues, educational needs and complaints
- Enforce codes and ordinances, and increase pressure on the non-compliant property owners
- Partner with the community to increase awareness and compliance for defensible space responsibilities

## 2006 ANNUAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

### JANUARY

- OFD Vegetation Management Staff Retreat – *COMPLETED*
- Year-End Summary Report – *COMPLETED*
- Annual Audit Begins – *ONGOING*
- Year Round Public Outreach Services – Customer Service, Chipping Program, Green Debris Program, Magic Help Desk Hotline, Website – *ONGOING*
- Citizens' Advisory Committee Meeting – Review of Fire Codes – *COMPLETED*
- Public Education/Outreach – *ONGOING*

### FEBRUARY

- Year-Round Public Outreach Services – Development of Vegetation Management Plan – *ONGOING*
- Citizens' Advisory Committee Meeting – Mid-Cycle/Budget Review – *COMPLETED*
- Draft 10-Year Vegetation Management Plan Outline – *COMPLETED*

### MARCH

- Roadside Clearance Work Schedule Finalized – *COMPLETED*
- Goat Contract and Schedule Finalized – *ONGOING*
- East Bay Conservation Corp Work Schedule – *ONGOING*
- Year-Round Public Outreach Services – *COMPLETED*
- Website Update and New Email to WildfirePrevention@Oaklandnet.com – *COMPLETED*
- Environmental Issues and Creeks Training for Staff and Contractors – *COMPLETED*
- Budget – Mid-Year Review/ New Budget Developed – *COMPLETED*
- Annual Report to Public Safety and Council – *COMPLETED*

### APRIL

- Inspections of Public Entity Properties Begins (April 1 – May 1) – *COMPLETED*
- MOUs with all Public Entity Property Owners (CalTrans, OUSD, PGE, EBMUD, EBRPD) – *COMPLETED*
- Inspections of all Large Parcel/Public Entity Property - updated in database and report – *ONGOING*
- Public Entity Property Holders Meeting and Draft Work Schedules – *COMPLETED*
- Monthly Inspection Progress to Date Graph Begins (March 15 – April 15) – *COMPLETED*
- Year-Round Public Outreach Services: Annual Vegetation Management Plan – *COMPLETED*
- Presentation to Public Safety Committee (and City Council for Annual Report) – *COMPLETED*
- Citizens' Advisory Committee Meeting – *COMPLETED*
- Public Education/Outreach – Earth Expo (4/19/-6) and Earth Day (4/22/06) – *COMPLETED*

### MAY

- Fire Season Begins (May 1 – November 1)
- Annual Notice to WPAD Community: 27,000 mailed May 15 – *COMPLETED*
- Inspection Training (improved) occurs for Engine Companies (May 1–30) (including environmental component) – *COMPLETED*
- Monthly Inspection Compliance Progress to Date Graph – *COMPLETED*

- New Database is Operational (May 15, 2006) – *ONGOING*
- Public Education/Outreach – Articles in *Montclarion* (and website) to launch season – *COMPLETED*
- Citizens' Advisory Committee Meeting with Environmental Services presentation – *COMPLETED*

**JUNE**

- Improved Private Property Inspections Begin by Companies (June 15 to July 15) – *COMPLETED*
- Unimproved Private Property Inspections Begin by Inspectors (June 15 to July 15) – *COMPLETED*
- FPB Ride Along with Engine Co. Inspections (June 15 to June 30) – *COMPLETED*
- Monthly Inspection Compliance Progress to Date Graph (May 15 to June 15) – *COMPLETED*
- Year-Round Public Outreach Services – including Community Meetings – *ONGOING*
- Citizens' Advisory Committee Meeting – Terms of Service Reviewed – *COMPLETED*
- Public Education/Outreach – Press Releases to 150 Sources for Inspection Season – *COMPLETED*

**JULY**

- 2nd/Final Inspections on Improved Property by Companies (July 15 to August 15) – *COMPLETED*
- 2nd/Final Inspections on Unimproved Private Property Inspections Begin – *COMPLETED*
- Monthly Inspection Compliance Progress to Date Graph – *COMPLETED*
- FEMA Grant Award Notification for \$3 Million Dollar Fuel Reduction Project in North Hills – *ONGOING*
- Citizens' Advisory Committee Meeting and Public Outreach Meetings with Community – *COMPLETED*

**AUGUST**

- Agency Coordination Meeting for Red Flag Procedures and Fire Weather Watch – *COMPLETED*
- Monthly Inspection Compliance Progress to Date Graph – *COMPLETED*
- Citizens' Advisory Committee Meeting – Presentation by CA Fish and Game – *COMPLETED*
- Year-Round Public Outreach Services – National Night Out 8/1/06, 20 +sites, 8 staff visits – *COMPLETED*
- Public Education/Outreach – Public Education/Outreach – Article in *Montclarion* (and website) re: Red Flag Days and High Fire Season, *Defensible Space* video on KTOP for 3 months – *ONGOING*

**SEPTEMBER**

- Fire Weather Watch and Red Flag Days – Roving Patrols (3 days) – *COMPLETED*
- Monthly Inspection Compliance Progress to Date Graph – *COMPLETED*
- Citizens' Advisory Committee Meeting and Annual Strategic Retreat – *COMPLETED*
- Year-Round Public Outreach Services – KTOP PSA for *High Fire Danger* – *COMPLETED*
- Public Education/Outreach – Creek to Bay Day, September 16, 2006, 8 sites – *COMPLETED*

**OCTOBER**

- Wildfire Prevention Day Proclamation (October 21, 2006) to City Council – *COMPLETED*
- Monthly Inspection Compliance Progress to Date Graph – *COMPLETED*
- Citizens' Advisory Committee Meeting – Revise 10-Year Goals and Objectives – *COMPLETED*
- Year-Round Public Outreach Services – 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 1991 Firestorm Commemoration – *COMPLETED*
- Public Education/Outreach – Wildfire Prevention Day (10/21/06), media contacts to 200 sources, 37 stories, reports & articles aired (& website). Annual HEF Meeting – *COMPLETED*

**NOVEMBER**

- Fire Season Ends (depending on weather November 13, 2006) – *COMPLETED*
- Citizens' Advisory Committee Meeting – Presentation on Home Ignition Zone Concepts – *COMPLETED*
- Annual Audit Begins – *ONGOING*
- Year-Round Public Outreach Services – Presentation to Diablo Fire Safe Council – *ONGOING*
- Public Education/Outreach – Re: Close of Fire Season & Statistics – FireWise Conference – *COMPLETED*

**DECEMBER**

- Annual Inspection Compliance Statistics Report – *COMPLETED*
- Citizens' Advisory Committee Meeting – Meeting Schedule for 2007, Approved Goals and Objectives from Endangered Species Ad Hoc Committee – *COMPLETED*
- Annual Budget Review: Revisions, Action and Report – *ONGOING*

**2006 WPAD SUMMARY COMPLIANCE STATISTICS BY PROPERTY TYPE**

	Number of Parcels & Inspections	Number In Compliance	Percent In Compliance
Private Improved (parcels)	22,098	20,740	94%
Private Unimproved (parcels)	2,302	2,040	89%
City-owned (parcels)	496	476	96%
Public Entity (parcels)	265	244	92%
Goat Grazing (acres)	465	532	114%
Roadside Treatment (miles)	82	87	106%

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