

Community Wildfire Protection Plan

Benton County has released its draft *Community Wildfire Protection Plan* and public comment is now open.

The draft document can be accessed online and comments may be submitted until 5 pm on March 16. Hard copies of the draft plan are available for viewing at the following locations:

- Benton County Community Development Department;
- Corvallis-Benton County Public Library;
- Alsea Library;
- Philomath Library;
- Monroe Library;
- Bookmobile;
- Corvallis Fire Station No. 1;
- Corvallis Fire Station No. 6;
- Monroe Fire Station; and
- Benton County Board of Commissioners Office.

The draft CWPP recommends various actions be taken by fire districts, property owners, local government and others, but does not impose regulations on private properties. The Community Development Department and CWPP Planning Committee – comprising representatives from rural and wildland fire districts, Oregon Department of Forestry, United States Forest Service, private land managers and various Benton County departments – are coordinating the effort.

Comments can be submitted to the attention of *Chris Bentley*, Benton County Community Development Department, 360 SW Avery Ave. Corvallis, OR 97330 or by e-mail to chris.bentley@co.benton.or.us.