# MESCAL-J6 FIRE DISRICT

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Mescal-J6 Board Update

From: Chief Nied

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District-Wide Wildland Operational Plan

I have been working with several agencies to provide a comprehensive plan to assist in our WUI issues. I have been part of the creation and approval of the CWPP from both CC and PC. I have been in contact with DFFM as well as PC WL Division on mitigation therapies we may be able to employ. Below is a 6-phase plan to accomplish this. This plan covers the entire district, not just one area.

Phase I: Awareness/Information process where we will attempt to contact residents concerning this issue and make them aware of it and the below mitigation strategies.

Phase II: Educational Sessions, potentially 2 Saturdays from 0900-1200.

These sessions will attempt to include CCOEM and PCOEM as well as the University of Arizona Wildland Cooperative Extension

Phase III: Residents will take info given at work sessions and trim, remove, etc brush, grasses, to help make their home more WL fire safe.

Phase IV: On the PC side, chippers and roll-offs will be delivered to common areas where residents can take their trimmings done during Phase III to be processed. Working on Cochise County side.

Phase V: As funding is available through PC, CC, DFFM, BLM, we will attempt deeper mitigation issues in CWPP documented areas.

Phase VI: (As it applies). This phase will include legal agreements with those residents that want to have a hookup that the district apparatus can hook into, to refill tanks. NOTE: (This phase is floating and can occur at anytime during the other 5 phases.)

We have waited for the cooler months to begin this process. It is my hope and goal to complete all of this before end of quarter 1, 2027. It should be noted this is a fluid process.