



Genesee
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT



University of Colorado
Boulder

Dear Genesee Fire Protection District Resident,

Genesee Fire Rescue is partnering with researchers at the University of Colorado and the Wildfire Research (WiRē) Center to send the “Living with Wildfire in Genesee in 2021” survey to all residents of the fire protection district. To create the most effective programs possible, Genesee Fire Rescue needs to understand what you know about wildfire, your experiences with wildfire, as well as the characteristics of your property. The information you provide will help Genesee Fire Rescue and emergency responders better prepare for future fires as well as improve our outreach and education efforts. Results from the study will be shared with local, state, and federal groups considering wildfire risk management at the conclusion of the project.

Participation in this study is completely voluntary and will take about 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@geneseefire.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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Fire Chief
Genesee Fire Rescue

Dorie Dalton
Wildland Specialist
Genesee Fire Rescue

Hannah Brenkert-Smith
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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.