



To: All National Forests, U.S. Department of the Interior, MT Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, Fire Service Organizations, Members of Keep Montana Green, Educators and Other interested Parties.

From: Pat Cross, Exec. Dir., Keep Montana Green Association
Pat McKelvey, President, FireSafe Montana

Subject: NOMINATIONS FOR 2008 FIRE PREVENTION AWARDS

The 2007 fire season proved to be a challenging year for wildfires but there were many outstanding efforts by Montana citizens to prevent wildfires and protect homes and communities. This year KMG and Fire Safe Montana are soliciting nominations for their annual prevention awards. This year the awards will be presented at the Keep Montana Green/FireSafe Montana awards luncheon on May 30th in Butte.

This year Keep Montana Green will present the following three awards:

Keep Montana Green Fire Prevention Award: For dedication and service to fire prevention, or for fire prevention activities directly supporting the Keep Montana Green Association and its programs.

Keep Montana Green Industrial Wildland Fuels Management Award: For fuels management activities on the ground that help reduce fire risk and hazards.

Keep Montana Green FireWise Award: For groups or individuals that are leading fuel reduction and design and building efforts that improve a community's ability to withstand wildland fire.

Keep Montana Green is joining with Fire Safe Montana to present the following awards recognizing the work that is going on around Montana:

KMG/FSM Contractor's Award: To recognize loggers, landscapers and others who create Firewise environments around homes and communities, recognizing contractors who provide outstanding service and create a vastly improved forest and community.

KMG/FSM Biomass Award: Recognizing efforts to effectively produce and deliver biomass to commercial users.

KMG/FSM Community Award: To recognize Firewise efforts on the community scale. Many Montana communities have been putting a great deal of hard work and money into creating defensible space around homes, communities and other resources. But these good deeds have gone unnoticed by the public; this recognition program should help focus attention on these community-sized projects.

KMG/FSM Landscape Award: to recognize fuels reduction efforts on the landscape scale. Many Montana landowners have invested a great deal of hard work and money in creating defensible space around homes, communities and other resources.

Please take a moment of your time and nominate an individual or organization for their accomplishments in fire prevention by completing the necessary information on the attached forms.

Nominations 2008 Keep Montana Green Fire Prevention Awards

Please type or print the name and mailing address of the nominee and a summary of their prevention accomplishments in the space provided below (use additional sheets if needed). Please make sure the nominee's name is spelled correctly. Additionally, be sure to list the name, title and address of the person recommending the award.

Nominations are due March 26, 2008, and the winners will be announced during the KMG luncheon to be held in Helena this spring.

Check One:

- KMG Prevention Award**
- Industrial Wildland Fuels Management Award**
- KMG FireWise Award**

Nominee:

Company or Organization:

Individual:

Street Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone Number:

Nominator:

Company or Organization:

Individual:

Street Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone Number:

Project, Program or Activity

Please describe the project or activity. Include, where applicable, location, method, approach, area affected, and target audience.

Achievement

Describe the contributions or results in preventing wildfire in Montana, either on the ground in the form of fuels mitigation/reduction, or in raising public awareness.

Impact/Benefits

Describe the lasting benefits and/or impact of nominee's activities.

Please return your nomination by **March 26, 2008** to Pat Cross, Executive Director, Keep Montana Green Association, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, MT 59804. If you have any questions, you can reach me by phone at (406) 542-4251, fax at (406) 542-4242, or by e-mail at pcross@mt.gov.

Nominations

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KMG/FSM Contractor's Award

KMG/FSM Biomass Award

KMG/FSM Community Award

KMG/FSM Landscape Award

Nominee:

Company or Organization

Individual:

Street Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone Number:

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Company or Organization:

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