

## SAFETY TIPS FROM THE GRR FIRE DEPARTMENT MARCH

Spring is just around the corner. Maybe. Either way, it's time to think about spring preparations.

Late winter through early spring is a good time to trim deciduous trees. Trimming the lowest branches of trees is one way to prevent fire spread from grass fires into the trees. Here are a couple of links you can follow for more information: <u>https://www.extension.uidaho.edu/publishing/pdf/bul/bul0644.pdf</u>, and <u>https://www.montana.edu/news/5742/taking-care-of-shade-trees</u>.

If you are thinking about landscaping projects, keep fire risk in mind. Check out the GRRFD website Getting Informed section for more information about wildland fire preparedness recommendations: <u>http://www.grrrfd.org/get-informed/</u>.

Spring cleanup is a great time to remove dead dry fuels (trees, limbs, brush) from your property to reduce your wildland fire risk. Consider getting a free Wildland Fire Risk Assessment from the GRR Fire Department. Contact Chief Sprow: <u>marlinsprow32@gmail.com</u>, or email <u>admin@grrfd.org</u> to set up an appointment. **Please do not discard any waste in the Reservoir quarry area**.

I's a good time to review and revise medical history documents. Consider filling out or updating a My Medical History from the GRR Fire Website: <u>http://www.grrrfd.org/get-informed/</u>.

Please visit the GRR Fire Department website to learn more: http://www.grrrfd.org/.