

## HOURS OF OPERATION:

- Normally 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
- Workdays are scheduled according to initial contact date and need
- Cancellations may occur due to weather conditions or at CUSP's discretion

*Due to the many programs CUSP administers, advance scheduling is recommended.*

To learn more about property management, fire and wildfire protection, please visit the following web sites:

[www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org)  
<http://csfs.colostate.edu/>  
[www.fs.fed.us/r2/psicc/fire/](http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/psicc/fire/)  
[www.aboutchainsaws.com/](http://www.aboutchainsaws.com/)  
[www.rockymountainwildlandfire.info/](http://www.rockymountainwildlandfire.info/)  
[www.fireadapted.org](http://www.fireadapted.org)



*We are all responsible for protecting our watershed and the forests we call home.*

**Volunteer with CUSP and lend a hand!**

## CONTACT INFO:

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## NEIGHBORHOOD FUELS REDUCTION PROGRAM



**The Coalition for the Upper South Platte (CUSP) helps property owners manage their home ignition zone within the Upper South Platte Watershed.**

## THE FACTS:

- 1) CUSP strives to reduce fire hazards by working cooperatively with property owners
- 2) Scheduling priority will be given to community-based projects

## BEFORE WE ARRIVE:

- Pile slash close to roads, drives or an open field for easy access
- 12" max diameter: small trees can be left whole
- **No roots, root wads, weeds, trash, or lumber of any kind!**
- **Watch for nails in trees!**
- Pile slash with cut ends facing one direction (**see pictures**)
- Piles should be laid in low rows no higher than 4' tall
- Property owner or representative must be present
- Piles not meeting CUSP's specifications will not be chipped

## WHEN WE ARRIVE:

- ✓✓ Keep children and pets inside
- ✓✓ **Be available to help with the work** when physically possible
- ✓✓ Please have safety equipment available, including: eye and ear protection, long shirt and pants, gloves and sturdy boots
- ✓✓ CUSP may be able to provide minimal safety gear

### PROPERLY STACKED pile



Example of an IMPROPERLY STACKED pile



CUSP crew & volunteer during chipper workday

**We are not a contracted chipper service. We are here to work with you!**

***A suggested contribution for this service is \$85 per hour.***

***Donations are very important for the future of this program. CUSP appreciates any help you may be able to provide.***

***CUSP is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Your donations are tax-deductible.***