

Hello Paradise Hills Homeowners!

In 2025, the HOA started a Fire Mitigation Committee to support homeowners in keeping our community safe (including residents, guests, and firefighters) and protecting property. Last year, we had our first slash collection. We are excited to offer you this resource again this year. If you are interested in participating, please send payment to the HOA and you will be added to the list for collection (see below for payment details). Here is a video that highlights how to create defensible space around your home

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=isf6COwOXPw>

What are the dates for the collection? August 7th-8th 2026

Who will collect my slash? We have identified a vendor, McGarva Tree Service, who will collect slash that you leave at your curb.

What is slash? For the purposes of PHHOA, slash is considered tree branches, limbs, and logs up to 6 inches in diameter. Please, no garbage, treated lumber, pine needles, wood with nails, rocks, or root balls/stumps (these will not be chipped or collected!).



What if I don't know where to start? If you need help identifying where to start mitigating on your property, Foothills Fire and Rescue can help! Erik Alpine is the Assistant Chief and is available to come to your house free of charge to help you identify the best places to mitigate based on your property. If you want help, please set up time with him. He can be reached at (303) 526-0707 or erikalpine@foothillsfire.org.

How do I start a pile? Starting July 24th, you can begin placing your slash in a pile within 5 feet of the road so our arborist has easy access (but not on a road or driveway). Make your pile as compact as possible with large cut ends of limbs facing the road.

How much can I put at the curb? The cost will be \$125 for a pile up to 5X5X10 feet (see the picture above as a reference point). Piles that exceed those dimensions are welcome, but they will be billed an additional \$50 per linear foot, so please include this in your upfront payment. If you don't think you have enough slash, please feel free to coordinate with your neighbor(s) to generate a pile.

How will payments be handled? Payment must be received by **Friday July 26th** to be included in the collection. The cost is \$125 per pile, and checks should be made out to Paradise Hills HOA and sent to the following address:

Paradise Hills HOA Slash Collection
25754 Bristlecone Ct
Golden, CO 80401

We have also identified two arborists/mitigation experts who have agreed to work with our homeowners if you need help with limbing/mitigation and are highly recommended: Todd with Seven Earth Services (303) 319-1561 and James with Arborist Prime (720) 229-4398.

What if I want to handle slash or pine needles on my own? If you want to drop off slash/pine needles yourself, please visit <https://www.jeffco.us/2493/Slash-Collection> for additional information.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Kerry Englert at kenglert@comcast.net