

Firewise Action Plan
ECCA
July 2026

- 1) Monitor AEP Utilities as they conduct brush cleanup in the Elm Valley area.
 - a. Current efforts focus on roadway easements under powerlines and along fences.
 - b. Brush was treated at the base about 6 months ago and is now being removed and chipped.
- 2) Establish Wild Fire Evacuation Routes
 - a. Meetings are underway with the intent of mapping out primary and secondary evacuation routes in case of wildfire.
- 3) Establish a Tracking Log for Firewise community vegetation removal
 - a. The intent is to create an online entry site on the ECCA website for community residents to record their own activity at keeping brush in check.
 - b. This log will allow consolidated updates to the FIREWISE website
- 4) Discuss Firewise activities in monthly ECCA VFD meetings.
 - a. This will be ongoing at each ECCA VFD meeting.
- 5) Conduct community wide Firewise awareness workshops at the ECCA VFD building.
 - a. The first community workshop is scheduled for Thursday, August 20, 7pm.
 - b. Materials will be available for residents and the Firewise plan will be discussed.
- 6) Set up an information booth at ECCA VFD fundraiser events to educate the public on fire mitigation opportunities.
 - a. Ample material has been identified and is available for our next event.
 - b. The next event is our Bonanza community fundraiser in January 2027.
- 7) Community mitigation activity for elderly/disabled residents.
 - a. The plan is to create and maintain a current list of elderly/disabled residents and to have an evacuation plan suitable to their needs.
 - b. Volunteers assist with vegetation removal as needed.
- 8) Continue to work with the Texas Forestry Service and all Taylor County Fire, Law Enforcement, and Emergency Response Departments to respond to and control all wildfire events.
- 9) Continue to support ECCA VFD with fire and emergency response training at each ECCA meeting. The public is informed of and participates in each of these events.