



CITY OF
MONROVIA
Fire & Rescue

ANNUAL DEFENSIBLE SPACE INSPECTION NOTICE

Dear Resident,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for doing your part to help reduce the risk of wildfire impacts on the City of Monrovia during the past year. In our continued efforts to reduce hazard risks, Monrovia Fire & Rescue will be conducting its annual defensible space inspections on all properties located within the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (VHFHSZ). If you are receiving this letter, your property is located within the VHFHSZ.

On March 24, 2025, Cal Fire released updated Fire Hazard Severity Zone Maps (FHSZ) for the Local Responsibility Area (LRA), resulting in changes to Monrovia's current Fire Hazard Severity Zones. These maps offer a more accurate evaluation of wildfire risks by utilizing the latest climate data, fire history, topography, and wildfire modeling to classify areas into Very High, High, or Moderate Fire Hazard Zones. More information about the FHSZ is available online at osfm.fire.ca.gov/FHSZ

This letter will serve as the first notice of inspection, and a reminder that fire department personnel will be performing defensible space inspections on your property to comply with the municipal code regarding vegetation. Please visit the City's website at www.cityofmonrovia.org, and click on the fire department link for resources on our defensible space inspection program.

Annual defensible space inspections will begin on or after Sunday, June 15, 2025

Please complete all required work prior to this date. If your property is not in compliance upon completion of the first inspection, you will be subjected to potential re-inspection fees. Higher administrative fines will be imposed for hazardous conditions requiring abatement. Severe violations that pose an imminent threat to health and safety may be forwarded to the City Prosecutor.

To assist residents with brush disposal, the City has once again partnered with Athens Services to provide roll-off bins and bulky item pick-ups free of charge until July 31, 2025. Please refer to the enclosed "Brush Disposal Options" document for further details. As a reminder, be certain to take the proper safety precautions regarding brush removal and disposal. The enclosed flyer related to the safe use of equipment can be used as a guideline. Please take the time to review the included "Residential Safety Checklist."

If you have any questions regarding defensible space inspections or wildfire preparedness, please call 626-256-8109 and leave a detailed message. We will return your call as soon as possible.

Respectfully,

Jeremy Sanchez, Fire Chief
Monrovia Fire & Rescue

