



# July

## Tip of the Month

### It's Wildfire Season Again!

With the arrival of summer, comes an increased danger of wildfires, even here in Kitsap County or Washington State.

As the trees and natural vegetation around us dry out, they become more vulnerable to sparks and ashes from grills, campfires and cigarettes.

Human carelessness accounts for three quarters of all wildfires.



*Here are some tips to help keep you safe:*



- Be sure before you leave, that your campfires are out by using water and/or dirt.
- Protect your home by having a fire break around your property and removing any dry, brittle vegetation, if possible.
- Wildfires can change direction suddenly; listen regularly to local media for updated emergency information
- Plan at least two evacuation routes and be prepared to evacuate quickly.

*Remember, fire disasters account for more loss of life and property damage in the United States than all other natural disasters combined. A little preparedness will help ensure that you and your family stay safe!*

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