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TWO ZONES MAKE UP THE REQUIRED 100 FEET OF DEFENSIBLE SPACE:

**Zone 1: 30 feet of Lean, Clean & Green**
1. Remove all dead plants, grass and weeds
2. Remove dead or dry branches, limbs, leaves and pine needles from your yard, roof and rain gutters.
3. Keep tree branches 10 feet away from your chimney and other trees.

**Zone 2: 30-100 feet of Reduced Fuel**
4. Cut or mow annual grass down to a maximum height of 4 inches.
5. Move wood pile away from structures and outside the 30 feet zone.
6. Provide a 10 foot clearance of all combustible material around LPG and fuel tanks.

Use Equipment Properly to Keep from Sparking a Wildfire
7. Mow before 10 a.m., and never on a hot or windy day. String trimmers are a safer option (vs. lawnmowers) for clearing vegetation.

**FAQS (FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS):**

- **HOW DO I KNOW IF THIS APPLIES TO MY PROPERTY?**
  To find out if your property falls within the State Responsibility Area (SRA) you can go to this link: [https://hotfire.ca.gov/projects-and-programs/state-responsibility-area-viewer] for an interactive map.

- **WHAT IF THERE ARE NO STRUCTURES ON MY PROPERTY?**
  If there are any structures on neighboring properties within 100 feet of any property line, you are required to provide a minimum 10 feet of clearance along your property line adjacent to those structures. This clearance includes full removal of all grass and shrubs within that 10 feet as well as limbing up all trees and large bushes to avoid ground contact. 6 feet is a general rule of thumb for limbing of the trees.

**MUST BE COMPLETED BY JUNE 1st**

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