Residents of Evans Mill,

How to have a Firewise Home:

Firewise Landscaping

- 1. Home Ignition Zone-Keep leaves and needles off your roof and deck. Create a fuel-free area within 3-5 feet of your home's perimeter.
- 2. Landscaping and Firewise Plants-Prevent fire Spread

Be Prepared

- 3. Disaster Plan-Develop, discuss and practice an emergency action plan with everyone in your home. Include details for pets. Know two ways out.
- 4. Emergency Responder Access-Identify your home and neighborhood with legible, clearly marked street names and numbers.

Firewise Construction

- 5. Fire-resistant Roof Construction-Use fire-rated shingles such as asphalt, metal, slate, clay tile or concrete products.
- 6. Fire-Resistant Attachments-all attachments to your home must be fire resistant

Residents we can have a Firewise home and a community. If anyone is interested in heading up a Firewise community within Evans Mill please let me know and I can direct you to the resources to get you started. Kim Elliott 252-638-8396

To sign up for Code Red go to the City of New Bern's Website www.newbern-nc.org/go to "departments" than the fire department's homepage (and fill out info) or you can call Main Fire Dept @ 639-2931 to sign up if you don't have access to internet.

Code Red (already in place for all individuals) is a notification system via phone calls, email, and texts. Please sign up for it as instructed in the above paragraph to keep you well informed.

For more information about how to protect your home and property, as well as Firewise plant lists and other resources, visit the Firewise website at www.firewise.org, and see the "homeowners" section.

For more tips on what to do when wildfire is approaching and how to safely evacuate, visit the Ready, Set, Go! website sponsored by the International Association of Fire Chiefs at www.wildlandfirersg.org.

For community safety, Kim Elliott