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## POLK COUNTY PRESS RELEASE

### **Polk County Community Wildfire Protection Plan Public Input Encouraged!**

**Public comments are sought for the review of the Polk County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) Update.**

The Polk County CWPP was collaboratively developed with stakeholders and emergency response personnel to improve wildfire preparedness and identify avenues for reducing risk throughout the county. The plan identifies wildfire risks throughout the County, with specific focus on the County's highly valued resources and assets (HVRAs) as well as the wildland-urban interface (WUI), which refers to the area between wildland and human development.

**Public Review Period: September 1, 10:00 AM – September 15, 10:00 AM**

During this period, Polk County invites residents to provide their feedback on the draft CWPP to ensure it meets the community's needs and effectively addresses public concerns. The CWPP will serve as a guiding document that will help Polk County and landowners make informed decisions and improve safety as it relates to potential wildfire risk.

**How to Take Part in the Planning Process:**

Review the draft CWPP document on the Polk County website at <https://www.co.polk.or.us/em/wildfire-information>

Your comments and feedback can be submitted via online form at [Polk County CWPP Public Comment Form](#). The public comment form can also be accessed via QR code:



Additionally, we encourage you to participate in our community survey at [Polk County Community Wildfire Protection Plan](#) to help gather information on the community, shape the final CWPP and ensure it reflects the community's priorities.

Your feedback is crucial in ensuring that the CWPP update is comprehensive and effective. Please take this opportunity to review the draft plan and share your thoughts. Together, we can enhance our wildfire preparedness and protect our community.

Thank you for your participation in this important community effort.